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SPEECH IN MUZAFFARABAD

Ahead of UN, Imran dials it up: Kashmir events will provoke Muslims worldwide

At PoK rally, he says: extremism will rise in India as people stand up...1.25 bn Muslims around the world watching

SHUBHAJIT ROY
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

STEPPING UP the heat against India, Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan said Friday that there will be a "reaction" in the country when the curfew is lifted in Jammu and Kashmir and warned that India's decision to scrap Jammu and Kashmir's special status under Article 370 would trigger a rise in extremism adding that "1.25 billion Muslims around the world" are "watching".

While Khan, since August 5,



Pakistan PM Imran Khan in Muzaffarabad on Friday. AP

has said, in his opinion pieces and interviews, that there is a nuclear threat and shadow of war, this is the first time he is

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EXPLAINED

Desperate bid to up the ante

SINCE AUGUST 5, this is the first time Imran Khan has linked developments in J&K to "global Islam". Clearly, he is ratcheting up the rhetoric in the run-up to the UNGA. His words so far haven't found the resonance he wants but with the Valley lockdown entering its 40th day, New Delhi also has its diplomatic task cut out.

LoC infiltration may up number of terrorists in hinterland: Dhillon

P VADYANATHAN IYER
SRINAGAR, SEPTEMBER 13

FOR LIEUTENANT General K J S Dhillon, General Officer Commanding, 15 Corps, the current tenure in Jammu and Kashmir is his seventh stint since 1988. A Kashmir veteran, he took charge in the Valley on February 10 this year, just four days before the attack on a CRPF convoy that killed 40 in Pulwama. In an interview to *The Indian Express*, he says that there has been no



Lt Gen KJS Dhillon

cross-Line of Control infiltration as is being rumoured in Gulmarg. "I sleep well in the

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Income Tax serves notices to Reliance First Family under Black Money Act

Reliance denies allegations, receipt of notices

RITU SARIN
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

THE MUMBAI unit of the Income Tax Department, after an investigation aided by information received from agencies in several countries, has served notices to members of the Mukesh Ambani family under provisions of the 2015 Black Money Act.

In a closely guarded move, notices were served on March 28, 2019 in the names of Mukesh Ambani's wife Nita Ambani and their three children for their alleged "undisclosed foreign income and assets".

The I-T probe began after the government received details of an estimated 700 Indian individuals and entities holding accounts in HSBC Geneva in 2011. This was followed by an investigation by *The Indian Express* and the International Consortium of Investigative Journalists (February 2015) — called Swiss Leaks — which



I-T Dept in Mumbai served notices March 28, 2019

expanded the number of HSBC Geneva account holders to 1,195.

It was *The Indian Express* investigation that had first revealed how a cluster of 14 HSBC Geneva bank accounts with a cumulative balance of \$601 million held by offshore entities in tax havens were all linked, through a complex chain of associates and offshore holdings, to the Reliance Group.

Details of the Income Tax investigation report dated February 4, 2019 and the notices sent on March 28, 2019 reveal that members of the Ambani family are named as "ultimate beneficiaries" of one of these 14 entities, the Capital Investment Trust, through various foreign and domestic entities.

Responding to questions sent by *The Indian Express* on the

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IN CONVERSATION

Vice President of Global Affairs and Communication, Facebook & former UK Deputy Prime Minister Nick Clegg with Anant Goenka, Executive Director, Indian Express Group, and Shubhajit Roy, Associate Editor, *The Indian Express*, at Express Adda in New Delhi, Friday. Neeraj Priyadarshi

Odd-Even back in Delhi Nov 4 to counter stubble burning: CM

'Studies show 10-13% reduction in pollution because of this scheme'

SHIVAM PATEL
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

OVER THREE years after it was last implemented in the National capital, the odd-even vehicle rationing scheme will make a comeback in Delhi from November 4-15, Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal announced Friday.

Speaking at the Delhi secretariat, Kejriwal said smoke from stubble burning in neighbouring Haryana and Punjab veers over to Delhi around November 1, creating smog over the city and turning it into a "gas chamber".

"The Centre, and Haryana and Punjab governments are making efforts to control stubble burning. We will help them, and keep writing and engaging with them on this, but in the meantime, we can't just wait," he said.



Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal, Friday. Abhinav Saha

"Studies show 10% to 13% reduction in pollution because of this scheme, which is only an emergency measure, but the smog from stubble burning creates such an emergency," he said.

Under the odd-even scheme, vehicles with odd and even

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Not needed, Delhi will be pollution-free in 2 yrs: Gadkari

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NAGPUR, SEPTEMBER 13

HOURS AFTER Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal on Friday said the odd-even scheme would be implemented in the

National capital, Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari said the move was not required.

While Kejriwal said the move was aimed at combating

high levels of air pollution in winter, when crop burning takes

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SC weighs in on Civil Code: Founding fathers wanted, no bid so far

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

UNDERSCORING THAT the founders of the Constitution had "hoped and expected" a Uniform Civil Code, the Supreme Court Friday said there has been no attempt at framing the same despite the "exhortations of this court".

"It is interesting to note that whereas the founders of the Constitution in Article 44 in Part IV dealing with the Directive Principles of State Policy had hoped and expected that the State shall endeavour to secure for the citizens a Uniform Civil Code throughout the territories of India, till date no action has been taken in this regard," a bench of Justices Deepak Gupta and Aniruddha Bose said while deciding the case of succession of

a Goan settled outside the state.

The court said that "though Hindu laws were codified in the year 1956, there has been no attempt to frame a Uniform Civil Code applicable to all citizens of the country despite exhortations of this Court" in the Shah Bano case and other cases.

The bench, however, observed that Goa is a "shining example" with a Uniform Civil Code "applicable to all, regardless of religion except while protecting certain limited rights".

The Court said that "the salient features (of Goan law) with regard to family properties are that a married couple jointly holds the ownership of all the assets owned before marriage or acquired after marriage by each spouse. Therefore, in case of divorce, each spouse is entitled to

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Get back compensation paid to Dalits: Gujarat Judge to govt in 3 cases

PARIMAL DABHI
GANDHINAGAR, SEPT 13

IN THREE separate judgments since 2018, a Special Judge in Banaskantha district of Gujarat has directed the state Social Welfare Department to recover compensation paid to Dalit complainants in cases filed under provisions of the Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act.

The judgments have left the Gujarat government in a bind with the Social Welfare Department determining that there is no legal provision in the Atrocities Act under which compensation once disbursed can be recovered. The government has, however, decided to file appeals in the Gujarat High Court.

Special Judge Chirag Munshi, presiding over a special court in Deesa, ruled in all three cases,

including two in which women accused upper-caste men of harassment, that the charges under the Atrocities Act were false. The special judge passed orders to recover compensation, concluding that the "menace" of registering false complaints of Dalit atrocities to get compensation from the government "cannot be overlooked".

In one judgment on February 8, 2019, the Special Judge recorded that the complainant had lodged a false complaint and stated: "...it is ordered to send a copy of this judgment to District Magistrate of Banaskantha and Deputy Director of Social Welfare Department of Banaskantha for implementation of this order. And specially, if the complainant/victim in the case has been provided any financial compensation for filing of the complaint by the

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Odd-Even back

number plates ply on the road on alternate days. The Aam Aadmi Party-led Delhi government had first implemented the scheme from January 1-15 in 2016. It was also implemented from April 15-30 the same year.

At the time, a fine of Rs 2,000 was set for violation of the scheme, which was imposed from 8 am to 8 pm every day except Sundays.

Two-wheelers, CNG, hybrid and electric vehicles, emergency and defence vehicles, VIPs and Supreme Court judges were previously exempted, as were single women drivers and women drivers with children below the age of 12.

The exemptions this time round have not been decided so far, Delhi Dialogue and Development Commission vice-chairman Jasmine Shah told The Indian Express. He said discussions will be held over the next few days, during which previous experiences will be analysed and a decision will be taken based on that.

He added that the scheme would be implemented even if pollution levels do not reach the 'severe+ or emergency' category, "because a 'severe' category is also harmful". In the Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP) notified by the Union Environment Ministry, the odd-even scheme is to be introduced in Delhi-NCR if PM2.5 or PM10 — microscopic particles smaller than 2.5 or 10 microns in diameter — levels reach or exceed 300 and 500 micrograms per cubic meter of air respectively.

The scheme will be implemented as part of a seven-point action plan the Delhi government has formulated to control pollution during the winter months, with special focus on restraining the impact of pollutants from nearby states and emissions during Diwali.

Other aspects of the action plan include distributing around 50-60 lakh N95 category masks to residents of the capital; holding a light show on Choti Diwali as a deterrent to firecrackers; water sprinkling to control dust and mechanised sweeping of streets; deploying two environment marshals in every ward to control polluting activities there; controlling pollution in 12 hotspots in Delhi; and a tree plantation drive with engagement of residents by home-delivery of saplings.

Gadkari

levels of air pollution in winter, when crop burning takes place in neighbouring states. Gadkari claimed works underway in Delhi would ensure it is pollution-free in the next two years.

Responding to a question, Gadkari said: "Now there is no need for it (odd-even scheme) because the new ring road we have built is helping reduce pollution in Delhi to a certain extent. We are also setting up water and air purification units on Yamuna river. My ministry is pursuing road works of about Rs 50,000 crore... I think Delhi will be pollution-free in two years".

Gadkari was speaking to reporters after inaugurating a CNG outlet here. When it was pointed out that the Delhi government has already taken the decision, he

said, "they can take their decision".

—WITHPTI

Civil Code

half share of the assets".

"The law, however, permits prenuptial agreements which may have a different system of division of assets. Another important aspect... is that at least half of the property has to pass to the legal heirs as legitimate. This is in some way akin to the concept of 'coparcenary' in Hindu law. However, as far as Goa is concerned, this legitimate will also apply to the self-acquired properties. Muslim men whose marriages are registered in Goa cannot practice polygamy. Further, even for followers of Islam, there is no provision for verbal divorce".

The court was hearing a plea regarding the properties of a Goan in Bombay. He passed away in August 1967.

The question was whether the 1867 Portuguese Civil Code which was applicable to Goa, Daman and Diu before its liberation in December 1961 would apply or the Indian Succession Act, 1925.

Answering this, the court said the Portuguese Code was no more a foreign law as it was applicable to Goa, Daman and Diu by an Act of Parliament post annexation. "We are clearly of the view that these laws would not have been applicable unless recognised by the Indian Government and the Portuguese Civil Code continued to apply in Goa only because of an Act of the Parliament of India. Therefore, the Portuguese law which may have had foreign origin became a part of the Indian laws, and in sum and substance, is an Indian law. It is no longer a foreign law," the bench said.

The SC ruled that "it will be the Portuguese Civil Code, 1867 as applicable in the State of Goa, which shall govern the rights of succession and inheritance even in respect of properties of a Goan domicile situated outside Goa, anywhere in India".

Imran Khan

talking about a reaction from Muslims across the globe.

With 40 days of lockdown in Jammu & Kashmir, this also sets the stage before Khan and Prime Minister Narendra Modi are scheduled to speak at the United Nations General Assembly on September 27.

In his speech at Muzaffarabad in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK), Khan said: "I want to tell the world that Modi's actions will have a reaction when the curfew is lifted. The Muslims in India will react and the Muslims around the world will react. Marginalisation radicalises people. What Modi is doing is pushing people to retaliate. Our religion means peace but when a Muslim sees that the world is silent on such injustice, it acts as a tipping point. The news of marginalisation of Muslims... is spreading across the Muslim world but they (the governments) don't speak because of their trade ties (with India)... however, they (people) are closely watching the Indian atrocities inflicted on Kashmir".

While there was no official statement from the government on Friday, sources in Delhi said that Khan was "trying very hard to incite Muslims" in the country to "trigger unrest". "This is a des-

I-T serves notices to Reliance First Family

notices and the key allegations, a Reliance spokesperson replied: "We deny all the contents of your email including receipt of any such notice."

However, *The Indian Express* has learnt that the notices were served after a protracted "back and forth" between the Mumbai unit and the top brass of the Central Board of Direct Taxes. Final clearances were given days before the notices were served. Details reveal that the notices, from the office of the Additional Commissioner of Income Tax 3(3), Mumbai, were served under Sub-Section (1) of Section 10 of the Black Money (Undisclosed Foreign Income and Assets) and Imposition of Tax Act, 2015.

There are details of how Capital Investment Trust was created on November 5, 2003 with one C J Damani as its Settlor/Economic Contributor. The Trust's initial funding was just \$1,000. It owned an entity named Thames Global Limited which, in turn, owned Infrastructure Company Limited and Antalis Management Limited based in

the British Virgin Islands.

The IT Department notice has also alleged that the Ambanis failed to disclose details and holdings in the Capital Investment Trust and in its "underlying company," the Cayman Islands-based Infrastructure Company Limited of which they were also ultimate beneficiaries.

The notice states that the assessee were ultimate beneficiaries of another entity named Harinarayan Enterprises, having a Mumbai address.

Citing "non-compliance", the notice states that following provisions introduced in the 2012 Finance Bill, the assessee were required to disclose details of all foreign bank accounts, Trusts as well as financial interest/ immovable property or assets held outside India. And that the assessee also did not avail of the Black Money Disclosure Scheme of 2015 under which a four-month compliance window was given to declare any foreign income or assets.

The notice clarifies that in this case, the officer proposes

to assess the "Undisclosed Foreign Asset" in Previous Year (PY) 2018-2019 relevant to Assessment Year (AY) 2019-2020. The assessee have been asked to produce accounts/ documents/ evidence in their support either in person or through authorised representatives. The first date of hearing fixed for the case was April 12, 2019.

The notices are based on the IT Department's investigation which was finalised about three months before the notices were served. Its key findings:

■ Records received from overseas under foreign exchange treaties show that Infrastructure Company Limited invested \$400 million on February 9, 2004 in Global Depository Receipts (GDRs) of Reliance Ports & Terminals (RPTL) and Reliance Utilities & Power Ltd (RUPL). However, the name of this investor (Infrastructure Company Limited) does not appear in the list of shareholders of the two Indian companies. This \$400 million ultimately reached RIHPL (Reliance

Industries Holding Pvt Ltd) whose ultimate beneficiaries are the four members of the Ambani family.

■ Foreign assets were obtained via The Bank of New York Mellon in the form of GDRs in the year 2002-03 and after transfer/ demerger/ amalgamation, the funds reached Reliance Industries Holding Private Limited having a share capital of Rs 5 lakh only. The shareholder of this company was a private Trust named Harinarayan Enterprises with four beneficiaries belonging to the Ambani family. Inquiries with The Bank of New York Mellon showed that it acted as the global custodian of the GDRs and was neither the owner nor beneficial owner of the GDRs. It is concluded that the two Indian companies "tried to hide" the names of owners and beneficial owners of GDRs by incorporating the name of Bank of New York as investors/ shareholders.

The inquiry report also sought permission for "remedial action" to be taken against the ultimate beneficiaries.

Interpol issues Red Notice against Nirav's brother

role in helping Nirav Modi launder bank funds. According to sources, the Interpol issued the notice against Nehal Modi on July 5, after hearing his arguments challenging the ED's request. The Interpol Red Notice, however, was made public only on Friday.

The ED has alleged that Nehal Modi "knowingly and intentionally" assisted Nirav Modi in concealing the alleged laundering of money and "destroying evidence". The agency has also alleged that Nehal Modi siphoned about 50 kg gold from Nirav Modi's Dubai-based company — Firestar Diamond and Jewellery — as well as cash and 150 boxes of pearls from Hong Kong.

The ED has claimed Nehal Modi is a director of two companies that received Rs 335.95 crore from Nirav Modi's dummy companies. According

to the probe agency, Nehal Modi allegedly also helped Nirav Modi route \$30 million of the bank loans to Ithaca Trust, which was eventually used to purchase properties in the US.

Nehal Modi, in his appeal to the Interpol commission, had said that he will not get a fair trial if he is extradited to India. He said he had "no institutional ties" with Nirav Modi's companies and the sale of 50 kg gold of a liquidated firm was "legal". He claimed that he had been charged by Indian agencies "due to family ties".

Detailing Nehal Modi's role, an ED complaint (chargesheet) filed in a local court last year said: "...after the crisis (Rs 13,600 crore scam at PNB), Nehal Modi, brother of Nirav Modi, destroyed all the cell-phones of all dummy directors in Dubai and Hong Kong and arranged for their tickets to

Cairo — a safe heaven".

The Indian Express earlier reported that Nirav Modi had created over 15 dummy companies overseas to allegedly rotate the funds acquired through letters of undertaking (LoU) from PNB, "in the guise of export-import transactions". The agency has now identified at least 17 dummy directors of these companies. All of them are either employees or former employees of Nirav Modi's firms, with monthly salaries ranging between Rs 8,000 and Rs 30,000.

Relying on statements of two witnesses, including a dummy director, the ED said that after the scam broke at PNB, the dummy directors "wished" to return to India but were "persuaded" to stay back, and Nehal Modi "visited Dubai and took lead in the matter and destroyed all the mobiles of

dummy company managers/ directors".

The ED, in its prosecution complaint against Nirav Modi in court, has alleged that Nehal Modi was "personally overseeing that all the accounts, records were eliminated and was influencing the employees, and participated to annihilate the evidences" after the Indian agencies began probing the scam.

The Interpol has already issued Red Notices against Nirav Modi, his uncle Mehul Choksi of Gitanjali Group, and sister Purvi Modi Mehta. While Nirav Modi is currently lodged in a jail in the UK and is facing extradition charges in connection with the PNB scam, Choksi is in Antigua.

Both Mehul Choksi and Nirav Modi left India in the first week of January 2018, before the PNB scam became public.

perate call by the Pakistan Prime Minister since his government has not been able to gather any support so far at the international stage," an official source in Delhi told The Indian Express.

At the rally in PoK, Khan said: "What is happening in Kashmir is against humanity. For 40 days, our Kashmiri brethren are under curfew... I want to tell Narendra Modi that what he is doing in Kashmir, only a coward can do... such torture... 9 lakh Indian soldiers have locked down Kashmiris in their homes. The RSS has deep-rooted hate for Muslims and wants to avenge past Muslim rule in the sub-continent through ethnic cleansing." Addressing the gathering, Khan made over a dozen references to Prime Minister Modi and at least half-a-dozen references to the RSS.

"What Narendra Modi is doing in Kashmir is driving Muslims towards extremism," he said. "I want to tell India that, by detaining thousands of people, you are pushing people into extremism. People will rise against India, and it is not just about Indian Muslims, there are 1.25 billion Muslims around the world. They are all watching this," he said.

"I want to warn India that extremism will rise as the people of Kashmir will stand up against oppression... When atrocities reach their peak, people will prefer to die rather than being subjected to disgrace," he said. "By oppress-

ing Kashmiris, Modi is sending out a message to 20 crore Muslims in India that they can only live as second-class citizens in Hindustan. With no rights, they will be treated like animals and will be lynched in broad daylight for eating meat," he said.

Expressing solidarity with the people of Kashmir, he said: "Mark my words, we will give a befitting response. We are a nation that will fight until the last breath".

Referring to the Balakot strike by the Indian Air Force, he said Pakistan returned the Indian pilot as a goodwill gesture as Islamabad wanted to solve all problems through talks. But, he said, Pakistan's gesture was interpreted as weakness. This time, however, "if India throws a brick, we will respond with a stone (*ent ka jawab paththar se aayega*)," he said.

Khan claimed the Kashmir issue has been internationalised with the United Nations Security Council holding closed consultations on it for the first time in 50 years. "Next week, I am going to address the United Nations General Assembly and I will not disappoint the people of Kashmir. I will stand for the rights of Kashmiris," he said.

He asked the crowd whether they wanted to march towards the Line of Control (LoC). When the crowd cheered in agreement, Khan asked them to wait for his signal. "I am aware that many of

you want to march towards the LoC, I know you have the passion but I will tell you when to do so... First, let me go to the UN and world leaders and advocate the case of Kashmir. Let me tell them that if this issue is not resolved, the entire world will bear the impact," he said.

Khan's speech comes days after Pakistan raised the issue at the United Nations Human Rights Council. Asserting that Kashmir is an internal matter, India has so far thwarted Pakistan's attempt to internationalise the issue.

India had earlier cautioned Pakistan against ratcheting up the rhetoric. In a phone conversation with US President Donald Trump last month, Prime Minister Narendra Modi had said that "extreme rhetoric and incitement to anti-India violence" was "not conducive to peace". And in a meeting with Trump at the G-7 in France, he had said that all issues between the two countries are bilateral in nature and "that's why we don't bother any other country".

Since August 5, Khan has threatened to "teach Delhi a lesson," told Pakistan's Parliament that "incidents like Pulwama are bound to happen again". "What will happen then? They will attack us and we will respond and the war can go both ways... But if we fight a war till we shed the last drop of our blood, who will win that war? No one will win it and it

will have grievous consequences for the entire world. This is not nuclear blackmail," he had said. In a series of tweets on Sunday, he called the Indian government "fascist", "racist", following "Nazi ideology" and accused it of "ethnic cleansing & genocide ideology".

Earlier this month, the Ministry of External Affairs' official spokesperson Raveesh Kumar had said, "We condemn the irresponsible remarks and tweets by Pakistani leaders on matters internal to India."

"The main motive behind this is to form an alarming situation for India which is far from ground realities. Pakistan needs to understand that they have been snubbed from all sides. The world has seen their provocative and unsubstantiated rhetoric based on lies and deceit," he said.

Dhillon

night," Lt Gen Dhillon says, when asked what worries him when he goes to bed.

It has been a month since the Centre decided to abrogate Article 370 and bifurcate the state into two Union Territories. What is your assessment as we speak today?

Post August 5, what is news for us? It is peace and no loss of life, which is what Kashmir needs. There has been wonderful syn-

ergy between all segments of administration - security and civilian. The atrocities have been only from terrorists and stone-pelters. Maintenance of normalcy has been the objective all along.

How has this coordination worked? What was the mechanism to tackle day-to-day issues in the Valley?

We hold meetings once in two days, and these last for about two to two-and-a-half hours. Initially, these meetings were chaired by the NSA. Nowadays, these meetings are chaired by Advisor to the Governor. Top officials from the police, paramilitary forces, the Army, and the civilian establishment take part in the meetings and discuss situations in complete detail. Everyone is free to give their views. The meeting would discuss the decisions to be taken over the next 48 hours. Decisions are taken unanimously with very stakeholder included. This way, synergy is maintained.

What about responses to situations which demand sudden and immediate attention?

We do contact each other whenever there is a need.

Many talk about unease below the surface. The calm in the Valley masks the tension and unease.

There are instances where you have concerns. For instance, cross-LoC infiltration may lead to increase in the number of terrorists in the hinterland. This can lead to disruption of life of common citizens, and also cause loss to public and private property.

We have looked at the LoC very closely. It is well-covered and taken care of. In the hinterland, there were concerns that the situation can get volatile. These were well visualized and well-coordinated too amongst all stakeholders including civil administration.

Give us an example of some decisions taken by the collective leadership that would have helped local Kashmiris.

There has been considerable focus that we should take decisions that touch people's lives. The collective leadership gets complete feedback by consolidating aspirations of people. It was brought to our notice that the apple crop is ready, and there was fear if the farmers would lose income because of the situation. Accordingly, the government decided that NAFED and the horticulture department would pick up the apple crop of farmers here itself. The details of this initiative are in public domain.

In spite of rumours that terrorists would obstruct movement of apples, scores of trucks loaded with apples are moved every day. This is done under umbrella security provided by the forces - our dominating presence, regular patrolling and search operations jointly with other forces. And our very presence has ensured that the route, including National Highways, are well covered. An overall feeling of security exists now.

What are the directions that you have received from Army headquarters on handling the situation post August 5?

There are two aspects to this. One relates to conventional operations and LoC-counter infiltration. How to deal with this situation. The other relates to a charter on how to work with security forces and civilian administration to maintain peace and order. Here, the main pillars for the Army are good faith and minimum force. We stick to these two pillars.

Of late, there has been increased rumours of infiltration from Gulmarg.

This rumour has been there since two Pakistan terrorists were

caught in the Gulmarg sector. I can confirm with all the authority on my command that all this is not true. Many journalists have already been to Gulmarg to assess the situation first hand. In my last media briefing, I said there have been 350 operations in Gulmarg near the Line of Control and the hinterland. Yes, there has been infiltration attempts. The launchpads in PoK have been full — tanzems including LeT, JEM, Hizbul and Al Badr, frequently come to Pakistani posts. Every day, there is firing. Attempts of infiltration are also made in Poonch, Rajouri and Jammu sectors.

Gujarat Judge

concerned office of the District Social Welfare Department, then it is proposed to the District Social Welfare Department having jurisdiction to recover the said amount from the complainant/victim by any means or to take appropriate action as per law in that regard."

The three cases were reported in 2014, 2016 and 2017. In two cases, the complainants are women, who accused upper-caste men of assault and harassment. In the third case, a Dalit man had complained against an upper-caste man for injuring his wife in a road accident and making derogatory remarks against him.

In the two cases where the complainant is a woman, the court acquitted the accused, concluding that the complaint had been false. In the third case, where the complainant received Rs 75,000 as compensation, the court acquitted the accused on the charges under the Atrocities Act, while convicting him on other charges such as rash driving and causing grievous injury.

The issue was even discussed in June this year at a high-power state-level vigilance and monitoring committee led by Chief Minister Vijay Rupani, which oversees the implementation of the Atrocities Act.

According to the minutes of the Rupani-led meeting, accessed by The Indian Express, Deputy Chief Minister Nitin Patel asked if there were any legal provisions to recover compensation paid to complainants, in the event that a case is not established.

The Deputy CM was informed by Principal Secretary (Social Justice & Empowerment) Manoj Aggarwal that no such provision exists in the Atrocities Act, and yet the court in Banaskantha had passed orders to recover the compensation. He also told the minister that an appeal would be filed after taking the opinion of the Legal Department.

"The court had ordered (the government) to recover (the compensation) as the case was not proved. However, as per the law, there is no provision for the recovery," Deputy Director of Social Welfare Department in Banaskantha district H R Parmar told The Indian Express. "So, we are going to challenge the judgments before the Gujarat High Court. We will instruct the public prosecutor accordingly."

Under provisions of the Atrocities Act, the state government pays monetary compensation to Dalit victims. The compensation amount varies depending on the gravity of the alleged offence: in the case of murder, it is Rs 8.25 lakh, rape or gang-rape Rs 5 lakh, sexual harassment Rs 2 lakh, preventing entry into religious, cultural or social places Rs 1 lakh and making derogatory remarks Rs 1 lakh.

Generally, 25% of the compensation amount is paid at the time of registering the FIR, 50% after the chargesheet is submitted and the remaining 25% when the case is proved in the trial court.

Government figures show that between October 2018 and May 2019, a total of Rs 16.88 crore has been paid as compensation to complainants in cases under the Atrocities Act.



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4 swept away in Yamuna during idol immersion, police say were warned

JIGNASA SINHA
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

FOUR PERSONS, including two women, drowned in the Yamuna Thursday night while immersing idols for Ganesh Chaturthi in Outer Delhi's Alipur. Police said they were stopped by officers, deployed along the banks to prevent the immersion of idols in the Yamuna, but managed to slip past them.

A search operation was conducted by the Delhi Fire Services, Disaster Management personnel, civil defence staff and Delhi Police. The bodies were recovered on Friday. The victims are Pinky Shah (21), Priyanka (20), Nikit (21) and Umesh Yadav (20).

DCP (Outer North) Gaurav Sharma said, "On Thursday



Rescuers at the spot where the people drowned. Express

evening, a group of 30 people heading towards the river were stopped by police officers and civil defence personnel three times at different places. Officers were deployed near Shani Mandir and Bhakatwarpur to check if anyone was going towards the river for *Ganesh visarjan*. The group insisted on taking

the route and said they won't immerse the idol or go near the river. When the officer refused, an altercation broke out. After sunset, they took a different route which goes through the jungle, and reached the river. We received a call around 9 pm that four of them had drowned."

Police said that after immers-

ing the idol, around eight people went to the river to bathe. One of them fell into a pit inside the river. Others tried to rescue her but drowned, said police, adding that the others managed to get out.

"We rushed to the spot with a fire tender. There wasn't much light so we tied ropes and formed a chain to go inside the river. We discovered that the four fell into the eight-foot-deep pit and were swept away by the current," said DFS chief Atul Garg. Police said the bodies of Yadav and Nikit were recovered around 9.30 am, and the women were found in the afternoon.

Pinky's mother Shakuntala Shah said, "It's her 22nd birthday on Saturday... Before she went out with her friends, I told her not to attend any idol immersions. She told me her friends

were planning to go for a ride on their bikes and that they wouldn't go near the river. Later that night, we received a call about the incident. She was a bright student and was preparing to become a CA." Pinky lived with her parents in Nihal Vihar. Her father, Sanjay, is a mason.

Nikit's uncle Dharmender Sharma said: "He told us he would go to a friend's place for the *puja* and later for the idol immersion... He was pursuing his BA and helped his father with his carpentry work." Nikit lived with his parents and uncle in Nihal Vihar.

This year, in accordance with NGT and DPCC guidelines, police said they have deployed several teams near the river banks to stop people from immersing idols, while directing them to artificial ponds set up at 130 sites.

2 Amity students dead as car hits divider, bus at Yamuna Expressway

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NOIDA, SEPTEMBER 13

TWO STUDENTS died and three were injured after their car hit the divider on the Yamuna Expressway, flipped several times and crashed into a moving bus on the opposite side Friday evening. Police said the victims, aged 20-21, were BSc students at Amity University, and were returning from Agra when their i20 crashed.

"We were informed about the accident by a passerby. The car was mangled and parts of it had to be cut to pull out the students. Two of them, Owais Chaudary and Shivani Yadav, were declared dead on ar-



Mangled remains of the vehicle. Express

rival at the hospital. Three others, Aditya Saxena, Sai Sharma and Shaurya Gupta, are currently receiving treatment. We will ascertain more details once they are able to make a statement," said Sujete Upadhyay, SHO, Beta 2 police station.

While Owais, Shivani and Sai hailed from Ghaziabad, Shaurya

belongs to Delhi and Aditya stays in Noida.

Eyewitnesses told police that the car hit the divider a few kilometres before the zero point milestone.

Shaurya's family said they were unaware of the trip. "He left in the morning saying they were going to college. He did not tell us about any plan of going out of town. At this point, we don't even know whose car it is," said a relative. Police said they are investigating if the car belonged to one of the students.

On Tuesday, two men riding a Royal Enfield died after falling 30 feet from a bridge on the Yamuna Expressway. The accident took place at zero point, where the expressway ends.

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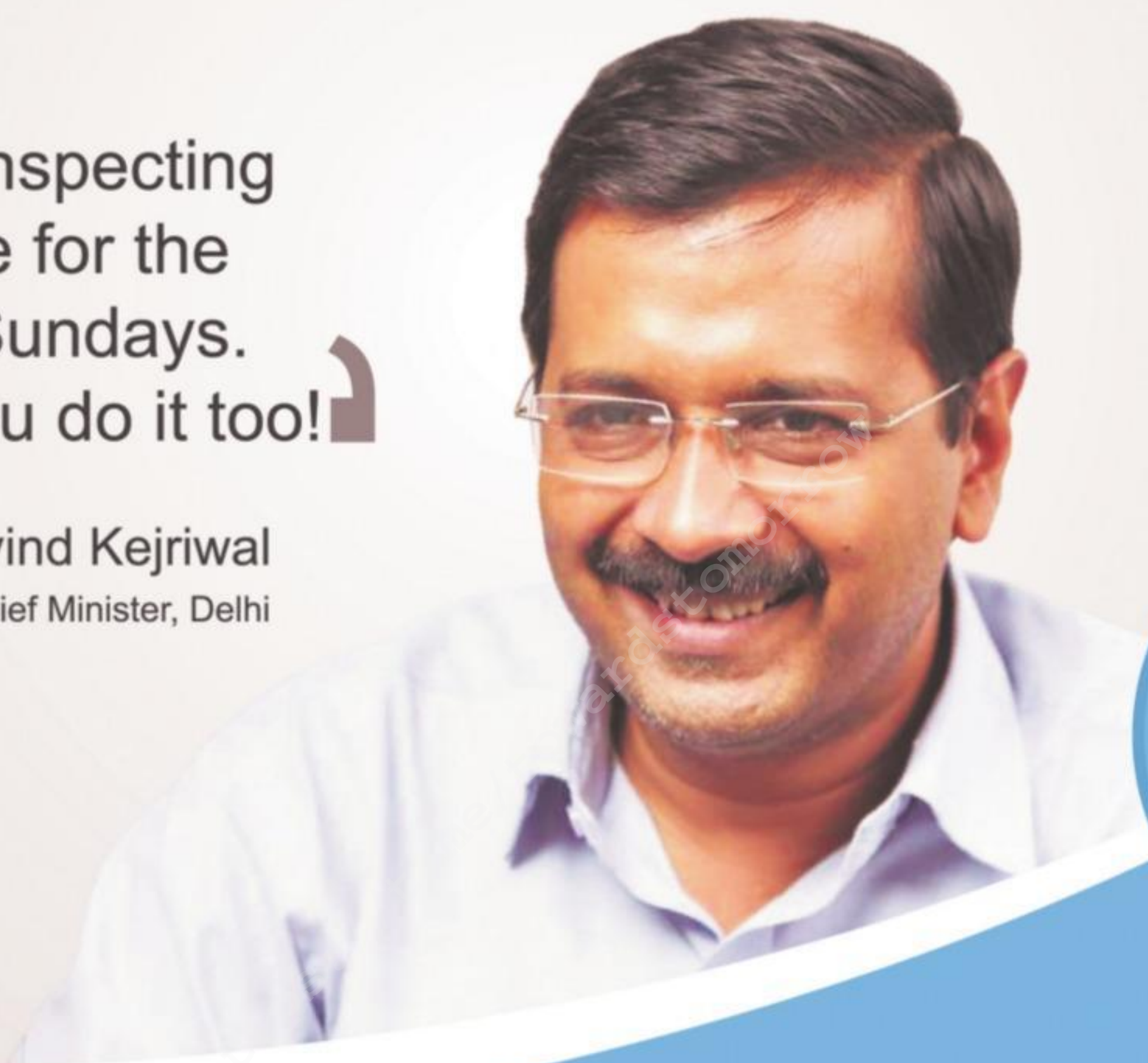
2015 : 15,867 cases

2018 : 2,798 cases

Delhi is prepared once again!

“I will be inspecting my house for the next 10 Sundays. I hope you do it too!”

- Arvind Kejriwal
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10 minutes, every Sunday

- For the next 10 weeks, we all need to set aside 10 minutes at 10 o'clock every Sunday. Check flower pots, coolers, vases or anywhere inside or outside your house to make sure that clean water has not accumulated. If you find there is an accumulation of clean water, pour it out, change it or add petrol or oil to it.

Just 10 Sundays

- Most Dengue cases occur in the monsoon or just after that. During this period, there are 10 Sundays. If we dedicate 10 minutes at 10 o'clock every Sunday for this, we can get rid of Dengue and Chikungunya. We need to spend less than two hours over 10 weeks. In the last five years, Dengue and Chikungunya have been brought under control, and this year, we will do it again!

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A new real estate destination in NCR

Sanjeev Kathuria, Chief Operating Officer at CRC Group, and a sales professional with more than three decades in the real estate, manufacturing and education sectors, explains why Greater Noida (West) is now popular among both home buyers and businesses

NOIDA or New Okhla Industrial Development Authority was developed after the saturation of the Okhla Industrial Area — in terms of space and high valuation/ affordability for new set ups/industrial development.

Over the past three-four decades, NOIDA has emerged as a preferred location for industrial development followed by commercial and residential destination.

Large industrial areas/zones invited businessmen to set up their units in well planned infrastructure. Massive migration from South, Central, and East Delhi, and from other parts of the country fuelled the real estate growth in Noida.

NOIDA authority, which was officially set up in 1976, planned the whole area into proper industrial, commercial and residential zones with robust infrastructure for future growth.

The outcome is what we see today: wide roads, flyovers, and metro lines that have created excellent connectivity between Noida-Greater Noida, and Delhi. It is seamless.

Affordable A-class commercial infrastructure, residential developments which meet or even excel compared to housing facilities anywhere in the country, the best schools and hospitals, together with modern entertainment and shopping zones have made NOIDA popular in the Delhi - NCR region.

“We all know the law of expanding boundaries”

As a region gets developed, urbanized and populated, the real estate becomes expensive and unaffordable. We saw this happen at the Okhla Industrial Area, which led to the creation of Noida. Likewise, in the last 20 years, NOIDA has



seen a rapid urban growth and hence the prices of property have shot-up sharply. But thanks to the Noida–Greater Noida Expressway, NH-24, a planning of FNG, and Delhi-Meerut Expressway, a new region was born.

“GREATER NOIDA WEST: NOIDA EXTENSION.”

Greater Noida (W): Noida Extension has emerged as a region which is catering to the requirement of millennials not only in terms of finding affordable housing but also finding affordable commercial office space for setting up small offices and new start-ups.

Greater Noida(W) has some unmatched USPs

like connectivity via wide roads, expressways and metro which are attracting people from South, East and Central Delhi, as well as Noida, Meerut, and Ghaziabad, to scout for commercial and residential space for self-use.

In last decade over 50,000+ apartments have been delivered in Noida Extension. Another 100,000 + apartments are planned and are under various stages of construction. All top developers of Delhi–NCR have planned residential projects in Noida Extension like GAUR SONS, SUPERTech, ATS, ACE, EROS, CRC, ABA CORP and others, and are in various stages of construction. The good thing is that all the developers are offering luxury at affordable prices.

OVER 50,000 APARTMENTS HAVE BEEN DELIVERED IN NOIDA EXTENSION, AND ANOTHER 1,00,000 ARE PLANNED. ALL TOP DEVELOPERS OF THE DELHI–NCR REGION HAVE PROJECTS PLANNED IN THE AREA, MOST OF WHICH ARE IN VARIOUS STAGES OF CONSTRUCTION

The connectivity to Noida commercial area helps the millennials to stay in Noida Extension and travel for work to Noida as the travel time is no more than 30 minutes.

Number of shopping malls like Gaur City Mall, SAYA South Ex., Boulevard Walk, Mahagun Marina Walk, ATS Kabana High etc in Sector 4 are under various stages of construction.

Schools namely Lotus Valley School, DPS, RYAN International, St. Johns are all operational and catering to the need of the residents of Noida Extension.

Hospitals namely MAX Multi-specialty, Yatharth, AAROGYA have been set up and more are coming

All in All

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Gurgaon to get 2 more multi-level car parks

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GURGAON, SEPTEMBER 13

TWO NEW multi-level car parks (MLCP) will come up in Gurgaon in the next two years, with PWD Minister Rao Narbir Singh laying the foundation stone for the projects Friday. The project is expected to be completed in two years. The city already has an MLCP in Sector 29.

Officials said the new MLCPs will be located close to Sadar Bazaar. While one will come up in Kaman Sarai, between the main bus stand and Sadar Bazaar, the other will be located on Railway Road, where the old veterinary hospital earlier stood.

"The Kaman Sarai MLCP will be constructed at a cost of around Rs 150 crore. It will have space to park around 1,000 vehicles... There will be space for commercial activities," said Singh. The second MLCP will be able to accommodate "around 275 vehicles". Speaking to the press, Singh said, "These two structures will not only give people space to park their cars, but also help reduce traffic snarls in the area."

DUSU POLLS: NSUI RETAINS SECRETARY, AISA COMES THIRD IN ALL POSTS

In repeat of last year, ABVP bags 3 of 4 DU seats

ARANYA SHANKAR
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

FOR THE second year in a row, the RSS students' wing, the Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad (ABVP), won the posts of president, vice-president and joint secretary in the Delhi University Students' Union (DUSU) polls, while the Congress-backed National Students' Union of India (NSUI) retained its hold on the post of secretary.

However, unlike last year, when ABVP's Ankiv Baisoya had won the president's post by a margin of less than 2,000 votes and secured a 35.2% vote share, this year, Akshit Dahiya created a record of sorts with a margin of more than 19,000 votes, amounting to 55.8% vote share. Dahiya got 29,685 votes, ahead of NSUI's Chetna Tyagi's 10,646 votes.

"This is a record margin. The last time there was such a massive margin of votes was when our joint secretarial candidate Ashutosh Mathur won by a margin of around 13,000 votes in 2014," said ABVP national media convenor Monika Chaudhary.

Dahiya dedicated his victory to late finance minister Arun

Jaitley, who had served as a DUSU office bearer from ABVP and had won by over 10,000 votes. "This is not my victory, but a victory of all our *karyakartas* (activists) who worked so hard," he said.

Counting for elections, held Thursday, began around 10.30 am Friday, and concluded in around five hours. A total of 39.9% students had cast their votes, down by 4% from last year.

At vice-president, ABVP's Pradeep Tanwar also won comfortably, beating NSUI's Ankit Bharti by 8,574 votes. At the post of joint secretary, the contest was closer, with ABVP's Shivangi Kharwal beating NSUI's Abhishek Chaprana by 2,914 votes.

NSUI's Ashish Lamba, who celebrated his 24th birthday Friday, won the post of secretary by a margin of 2,053 votes, defeating ABVP's Yogit Rathi. "Somewhere, ABVP's ideology has seeped in, which we will work towards removing. We gave a tough fight on the post of joint secretary, and will make sure to do the work promised in our manifesto and win DUSU 4-0 next year," said Lamba.

NSUI state president Akshay Lakra said, "We welcome the mandate. We did issue-based politics while ABVP indulged in



The winners at DU's North Campus. Abhinav Saha

statue-based politics. The fact that Rathi, who was behind the 2017 Ramjas College violence, was defeated means that DU students don't stand for such behaviour."

NSUI is the only organisation which has seen a dip in its vote share since last year. While they had got 29.4% votes last year, this year they got 26.88%. ABVP's vote share last year was 33.02% which has gone up to 40.28% this year.

The Left-wing All India

Students' Association (AISA), which came third in all posts, increased its vote share from last year. "If anti-ABVP forces had come together, we would have defeated ABVP on all posts," said AISA state president Kawalpreet Kaur. The percentage of NOTA votes increased from 11.9% last year to 12.95% this year.

BJP working president J P Nadda and Home Minister Amit Shah tweeted congratulatory

messages for ABVP. "This is the victory of nationalist ideology among students. ABVP awakens the feeling of patriotism in student life, and works towards realising the vision of a bright future," Nadda wrote. Shah tweeted, "This victory not only reflects the unwavering resolve of nationalism among the youth of the country but also reflects the new India which is committed to national redevelopment."

THE NEW FACES IN THE DU STUDENTS' PANEL

PRESIDENT

Akshit Dahiya (ABVP)



At 21, he is among the youngest presidents. He did his graduation

in BSc Physical Sciences from Ramjas College this year, and is currently enrolled as an LLB student in the Faculty of Law. He received a silver medal for bodybuilding from DU.

SECRETARY

Ashish Lamba (NSUI)



Lamba is a former Delhi state hockey player and received admission

through sports quota in Kirori Mal College, where he did BCom. Currently, he is a final-year LLB student at Faculty of Law. He has represented DU in a hockey tournament in Glasgow.

VICE-PRESIDENT

Pradeep Tanwar (ABVP)



Tanwar completed his graduation in BA Programme

from PGDAV College in 2018. Currently, he is enrolled as a first-year MA student of Hindi in Deshbandhu College. He has been associated with ABVP since 2015, when he took admission in DU.

JOINT SECRETARY

Shivangi Kharwal (ABVP)



She finished BA from Shyama Prasad Mukherji College and

is currently pursuing her MA from the Buddhist Studies dept, which is known as a hub of DUSU candidates. Besides being a DUSU office-bearer, she is also a national executive member of the ABVP.

Man ages 20 years to match octogenarian in fake passport, held

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

A 68-YEAR-OLD man was caught at IGI Airport for allegedly impersonating an 88-year-old man and carrying a fake passport Thursday. The man had returned from Hong Kong when officers at the airport caught him.

The accused, Gurdip Singh, a resident of Punjab's Moga, wore glasses and tried to impersonate an octogenarian by walking with a bent posture, said police, adding that he has been travelling to Hong Kong to work as a labourer with the fake passport since 2008.

"After landing from Hong Kong, Singh reached immigration clearance where he produced the passport issued in the name of Karnail Singh. The date of birth in the passport was October 20, 1930. The officer became suspicious since he looked younger. When questioned, he revealed his real name and age. The accused said he carried the fake passport to obtain a permanent residence card at Hong Kong," said Sanjay



Singh was travelling in disguise when he was held at IGI airport

Bhatia, DCP (Airport).

Police said a case was registered against the accused for cheating and police recovered the passport and a permanent residence ID of Hong Kong.

Singh told police he first travelled to Hong Kong with an original passport in 1995. "Since he wanted a permanent ID, in 2006, he contacted a man who gave him the fake passport, which he used to get the residence card in 2008. Singh returned from Hong Kong after a year, but left for the country again in August 2018," said Bhatia. Police said that after the passport expired in 2018, he even got it renewed after submitting documents in Chandigarh.

Police said Singh worked as a labourer in Hong Kong, and sold electric appliances while in India.

Day after parents killed, knife-wielding attacker gives boy nightmares

SAKSHI DAYAL
GURGAON, SEPTEMBER 13

IN THE few minutes for which the seven-year-old dozed off on Thursday night, he repeatedly called out to his mother in his sleep, warning her against a man with a knife who was coming to stab her. "He keeps saying 'mumma dekho woh aadmi chaaku leke aa raha hai'..." He is unable to close his eyes for more than a few minutes," said his uncle, Shaileendra Singh.

A day after his parents, Vikram and Jyoti, were murdered in their house in Dundahera village, allegedly by a friend, the child, who witnessed a part of the crime, remains traumatised.

According to Singh, the class 11 student was asleep when his father was stabbed. His cry woke the child, who walked into the passage to see his father come out of the room with blood all over him. "From what he said, his mother ran after the attacker but she suddenly fell. She did not have any blood on her when she came out of the room, but was covered in blood when she fell," said Singh, Vikram's younger brother.

"He insists he did not see the face of the killer, and saw only his back... But he has started getting more confused... He is very scared and shaken," said Singh.

In the FIR, Singh said the accused, Abhinav Agrawal from Kanpur, had taken Rs 1,50,000 from Vikram, but failed to return it despite repeated reminders.

On Wednesday night, he came to the couple's home. While Singh lived with his brother, he left to visit a cousin



The couple was stabbed to death, allegedly by a friend

nearby. Singh said both men were sitting on the terrace and drinking at the time. Around 3.55 am, Singh, who was sleeping at his cousin's house, woke up to a commotion and rushed home to find his brother and sister-in-law dead. They were taken to the government hospital in Sector 10 but were declared dead on arrival. While Vikram worked at a private firm, his wife was a homemaker. They hailed from UP's Etawah.

Agrawal was arrested from the Kapashera border Thursday. Police said that during questioning, he admitted to having committed the crime because of financial issues. Police said two years ago, Agrawal took a loan from Vikram, which the latter had repeatedly asked him to repay. So he planned to kill him, police said.

"He decided to mix some pills in Vikram's drink to make him unconscious," said Subhash Boken, PRO of Gurgaon Police. As per the plan, police said, the accused mixed the pills when Vikram went to get glasses. "The accused did not drink, but Vikram did and fell unconscious. He first stabbed Vikram's wife and then stabbed Vikram before fleeing the spot, leaving the murder weapon behind," said Boken.

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SEVEN-POINT ACTION PLAN

CM takes aim at pollution with laser show, environment marshals & masks

SHIVAM PATEL
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

ENFORCING the odd-even road-rationing scheme was just one of the major takeaways of the Delhi government's seven-point action plan to tackle air pollution in peak winter season announced by Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal Friday.

Speaking at the Delhi Secretariat, Kejriwal said, "Delhi's pollution has reduced by 25%... We shouldn't be satisfied with this and we have to reduce it significantly to say it (air quality) has become good."

The action plan includes procurement of around 60 lakh N95 category masks that will be distributed for free. "We will start making them available in October, so people have them before November 1, when smoke (from stubble burning) starts coming in," he said.

Discussions are expected over the next few days to decide how these masks will be distributed, officials said.

Kejriwal said the Supreme Court has banned burning of firecrackers in Delhi but people ignore this. To address this, the Delhi government will hold a "big" laser show for free on Choti Diwali. "Because of cold weather, a temperature inversion phenomenon causes smoke to remain on the surface, which creates breathing problems... We request people not to burn firecrackers and celebrate Diwali together," he said.

There are also 12 hotspots in the capital that face a higher concentration of pollutants, and a separate action plan would be made for them.

Water sprinkling on a massive scale would also be done to control dust and the government would work with MCDs to enforce mechanised sweeping of streets. "We want to achieve 100% mechanised sweeping in Delhi," the CM said.

BRIEFLY
HC refuses to issue curbs on kite flying

New Delhi: The Delhi High Court Friday dismissed a PIL by a city-based engineer, seeking directions to the Delhi government to restrict the timing, place and days of kite flying, besides the monitoring of websites through which Chinese manjha are sold.

Commercial
RFID vehicles to go cashless

New Delhi: Commercial vehicles with radio frequency identification (RFID) tags will have to compulsorily switch to cashless payments from Friday, failing which they will have to pay double the tax amount as penalty, a senior SDMC official said.


Hindi for statements:
HC seeks reply

New Delhi: The Delhi High Court Friday sought responses of the Centre and the Delhi government on a PIL regarding use of Hindi for recording testimonies of victims and witnesses before criminal courts, including POCSO courts and the Juvenile Justice Board, in the capital. A bench of Chief Justice D N Patel and Justice C Hari Shankar sought the response by December 4.


Man injured in house fire

Noida: A 28-year-old man sustained burn injuries after his house was allegedly set on fire while he was sleeping in Greater Noida Thursday night. Police said he had objected to three men and two women being in his fields a few days ago, and they had vowed revenge. **ENS**

THE 2016 EXPERIENCE



ENFORCEMENT FOR ODD-EVEN

**8 am to 8 pm**
DURATION

₹2,000
FINE FOR VIOLATION

10,058
VEHICLES FINED IN FIRST PHASE (JAN 1-15)

8,988
VEHICLES FINED IN SECOND PHASE (APRIL 15-30)


Each ward will also get two 'environment marshals' to work on pollution control activities. A "massive" plantation of saplings, being called 'Delhi tree challenge', will also be a part of the action plan. A helpline number will be made available to people where they can message or WhatsApp to get saplings delivered home, Kejriwal said. "A war room is also being set up to receive pollution complaints."

The winter action plan will continue in the remaining winter months in Delhi after the odd-even scheme — which starts on November 4 — ends on November 15.

The government expects around 4,000 buses to arrive in the next eight to 10 months, including 125 standard-floor cluster buses by September-end.

THE BASICS

- Vehicles with registration plates ending with an even number ply on dates 0,2,4,6,8 and so on
- Vehicles with registration plates ending with an odd number ply on 1,3,5,7,9 and so on



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CATEGORY
Air quality is at 'Severe + or 'Emergency'

MEASURE
When PM 2.5 is 300 micrograms per cubic metres in air, or PM10 is 500 micrograms per cubic metres in air for 48 hours or more

MITIGATION STEPS RECOMMENDED

- Odd-even scheme
- Stop entry of trucks except essential commodities
- Stop construction activities
- Task force to take decision on additional steps, such as shutting of schools

WHY THIS PERIOD IN NOVEMBER WAS CHOSEN

- Between 2012 and 2018, November has been Delhi's most polluted month on six occasions.
- It is also when impact of crop residue burning is expected to be felt the most. While paddy harvest is expected to begin in the last week of October, stubble burning usually starts once harvest is complete.
- This, along with a pollutant buildup from Diwali (in the last week of October) and a change in temperature and wind direction, is why the Delhi government chose November. A drop in temperature usually means increase in pollution levels.

Odd-even 2016: Challenges and lessons

MALLICA JOSHI
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

THE DELHI government's decision to implement the third phase of the odd-even scheme got a boost from the "positive response" it received from several sectors after Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal announced that pollution in Delhi had fallen over the past few years.

"...A lot of people have spoken about bringing the scheme back during the time stubble is burnt in neighbouring states. We also have to maintain the gains we have made. Odd-even is an emergency measure and November is when air quality is the worst. We



Another phase was planned in 2017 but was cancelled

believe people will support us," said a senior government official.

The first time the policy was implemented in 2016, the government had taken the risk of becoming the first city in India to implement such a road-rationing

policy. After a few hiccups, it panned out smoothly, especially because children and parents were not impacted as schools were shut for winter vacations.

But weather played spoilsport. While the scheme was in force, Delhi saw a winter with near-zero wind speed, high humidity and characteristically low January temperatures.

Studies by different organisations gave varying conclusions about the initiative's impact. Data shared by Central Pollution Control Board and SAFAR showed that for some parameters, pollution increased during the odd-even period, but experts at both organisations agreed that it was

because of prevailing weather conditions. A study by researchers at the Energy Policy Institute at the University of Chicago, and Evidence for Policy Design group at Harvard University, calculated the impact by comparing pollution levels in Delhi with those in Faridabad, Gurgaon and Noida. It said PM decreased by around 13%.

The second phase saw different challenges. "It was difficult for people to pick up their children from school. Also, while it is easier for people to take public transport in winters, doing the same in summers is not convenient. In this phase, the government did not receive as much support," the official said.

‘PM dream to reconstruct buildings between 1911-27’

ANANYA TIWARI
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

"BY THE time we meet in 2024, at the time of the next election, it is our expectation that we will be in a new Parliament building," said Union Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs Hardeep Singh Puri Friday. This comes a day after the Ministry announced the "development/redevelopment of Parliament Building, Common Central Secretariat and Central Vista" or a revamp of Lutyens' Delhi.

"One of the Prime Minister's dream projects is to reconstruct those buildings built between 1911 and 1927 like North Block, South Block, Rashtrapati Bhawan and Parliament building," Puri said at a Delhi Development Authority event.

Puri said, "As of now, it's expected that by mid-October, we will be able to float a tender (for the design), and by next year, construction may begin."

As per the notice inviting bids for appointment of a consultant, uploaded on the Central Public Works Department's website, "a new Master Plan is to be drawn up for the entire Central Vista area that represents the values and aspirations of a New India — good governance, efficiency, transparency, accountability and equity and is rooted in the Indian



The Union Ministry of Housing had announced "development/redevelopment of Parliament Building, Common Central Secretariat and Central Vista". Tashi Tobgyal

Culture and social milieu".

A source at the MoHUA said, "We are looking at firms, national or international, based in India so that they understand architectural styles prevalent in India."

Between 1911 and 1931, English architects Edwin Lutyens and Herbert Baker built the Parliament, Rashtrapati Bhawan, North and South Blocks and the Rajpath. Modern buildings such as Nirman Bhawan, Shastri Bhawan, Udyog Bhawan, Krishna Bhawan, Rail Bhawan and Sanchar Bhawan came about a few decades later.

The massive redevelopment project will turn Lutyens' Delhi into a mega construction site, with expected traffic snarls, as the Bhawans may undergo demolition.

A source at the Ministry said, "If we do the work section by section, the entire project will take 15 years... work will be done simultaneously. Traffic management plans will be made and alternate housing will be figured out. We are confident this project will change the face of the city."

The source said Lutyens' Delhi's famed green cover will be kept intact as the Ministry will ensure that "no trees would be cut for this". "The new construction will also adhere to green building standards. We are keeping in mind renewable energy too," added the source.

E-vehicles, charging stations and solar power systems are also in the proposal.

Domestic help arrested for sedating and robbing elderly employer, daughter

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

A 30-YEAR-OLD domestic help was arrested for allegedly sedating and robbing her employers in South East Delhi's Sarita Vihar Thursday. Police said the woman, Bhuvneshwari, robbed the house along with two of her associates after she spiked her employers' meal with sedatives on September 2.

Police said two women, aged 80 and 40, lived alone in the house. They had hired Bhuvneshwari, a Nepalese citizen, through a placement agency

on August 31. She and her associates planned to get placed in a family where only women live and later rob them, said police.

The woman and her daughter told police that on September 1, the accused called a man, who she said was her brother, to give her medicines.

In her complaint, the daughter said, "She (accused) served us food around 1.30 pm and we went to sleep. After an hour or so, I heard a noise and woke up. I saw Bhuvneshwari standing with two men — one of them had come to our house. They attacked me and tied me up. My mother woke up due to the noise and

was also threatened by them. They ransacked the house and took away cash and jewellery."

RG Naik, DCP (Crime), said: "The women managed to free themselves and called us. A team was formed to trace the accused; the placement agency was also contacted. Later, one of our informers told us the woman was planning to meet someone near Sarai Kale Khan bus stand and we arrested her. Officers recovered Rs 88,000, gold jewellery and four wristwatches from her."

In the evening, the women were admitted to hospital as the help had mixed sedatives in their lunch, said the DCP.

Kejriwal opens possibility of reducing challans

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

CHIEF MINISTER Arvind Kejriwal Friday said the Delhi government would see if there are any particular fines under the amended Motor Vehicles Act 2019 which are causing problems to people and can be reduced.

The CM said he has spoken to experts regarding Delhi's traffic and that the situation on the roads has improved ever since fines were revised under the amended Act.

"We all know how indisciplined Delhi's traffic is. We all accept that since the implementation (of the Act), Delhi's traffic has improved. Pollution centres are facing long queues because of the fine. We are keeping a watch," he said.

"We will see if there is a clause (in the Act) which can cause people to suffer... we have power to reduce that fine, then

we will definitely do it," he said. On Wednesday, Transport Minister Kailash Gahlot had said the government was not considering diluting the plan.

"We are taking feedback from all concerned. Though the state governments have certain discretionary powers to ease penalties with respect to certain offences as per the new MV Act, the Delhi government is not mulling to dilute them as of now, since the stringent measures are meant to ensure road safety," he had said.

Under the revised Act, implemented on September 1, fines have increased substantially. Earlier, a fine for driving without a licence was Rs 500; now it's Rs 5,000. Fine for driving without a seat belt has been increased to Rs 1,000 from Rs 100.

On Thursday, a truck driver was issued a challan of Rs 2,00,500 for overloading near Mukarba Chowk, in one of the steepest fines imposed under the amended Act in the capital.

Narela Metro corridor may get nod soon

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

UNION HOUSING and Urban Affairs Minister Hardeep Singh Puri Friday said the Delhi Metro's Rithala-Bawana-Narela corridor, proposed under Phase-IV, could get government approval in the next few months.

"I am very happy to share... and I am confident that connectivity to those parts of the city, and I have Narela in mind for instance, one of the three corridors not covered by Phase IV approval, will improve," he said.

"We had some difficulty and hiccups with you know who, who shall remain nameless today. We had cleared three of the six corridors under Phase IV. The Narela

corridor I am told, not covered earlier, should be able to get approval in the next few months," the minister said. He was speaking at an event organised by FICCI and DDA on the land pooling policy.

The proposed 103.94-km Delhi Metro Phase IV comprises six corridors — Inderlok to Indraprastha; Lajpat Nagar to Saket G Block; Mukundpur to Maujpur; Janakpuri West to R K Ashram; Rithala-Bawana-Narela; and Aerocity to Tughlakabad — which were cleared by the Delhi government last year.

The three corridors that did not receive the Centre's nod when it cleared the project in March are Rithala to Narela, Inderlok to Indraprastha and Lajpat Nagar to Saket G Block.



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8 GOVT & POLITICS



DOING HOMEWORK

CONGRESS COMMUNICATIONS in-charge Randeep Singh Surjewala has been missing from action at the daily media briefings in Delhi of late. The reason? He is busy touring his constituency, Kaithal, in the run-up to the Haryana Assembly elections, dates for which are expected to be announced soon. Having finished third in the by-elections to Jind Assembly seat in January this year, Surjewala, it seems, is not inclined to take any chances. Once bitten, twice shy, as they say.

PEACE MANTRA

A ONE-YEAR, 14,000-km global march for justice and peace, called *Jai Jagat 2020*, will start from New Delhi to Geneva on October 2, on the 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi. Winding through 10 countries, with training and events on non-violence and justice held along the way, it will be joined by separate marches from several countries in Europe and northwest Africa. Four sustainable development goals — eradication of poverty, social inclusion, climate justice, and nonviolent resolution of conflicts — are the theme of the march, whose India leg is being coordinated by the Ekta Parishad.

OUTREACH ATTEMPT

THE CONGRESS has in the last three years revamped the North East Congress Coordination Committee (NECCC) twice but the party and the forum has not been able to make any electoral impact in the region that was once its bastion. The party is again trying to inject life into NECCC, which is the Congress's counter to the BJP's NEDA, or the North East Democratic Alliance. Congress president Sonia Gandhi met leaders from the region on Saturday and it was decided that NECCC will now have a permanent headquarters in Guwahati. Congress leaders from the region were asked to meet once in three months to take up regional issues. The party decided to continue its opposition to the Citizenship Amendment Bill and speak out more for the indigenous people.



MP CM Kamal Nath before a meeting with Sonia Gandhi at her residence in New Delhi on Friday. Prem Nath Pandey

Sonia to Cong CMs: Take party workers along, fulfill promises

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NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

CONGRESS PRESIDENT Sonia Gandhi on Friday delivered an unambiguous message to five Chief Ministers from the party, asking them to take respective state party units into confidence and work in tandem to implement commitments made in the manifesto.

Sonia's message was blunt — the party and the government should not pull in different directions and workers should be made to feel that they have a stake in the government.

At a nearly three-hour meeting of Chief Ministers, state presidents and AICC in-charges of five Congress-ruled states, Sonia told the Chief Ministers to "assign duties on regular basis to ministers on roster basis to sit in PCC Offices to address public grievance".

"We discussed that Congress governments should pay greater attention on how to increase the involvement of the workers who had failed to bring the party to power...that they are given due respect...it was also discussed that there should be greater balance between government and the organisation....", Rajasthan Deputy Chief Minister Sachin Pilot said after the meeting.

All Chief Ministers explained in detail the steps being taken by their governments. Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot, sources said, gave a lowdown on the law and order situation. Pilot, also the state Congress president,

had earlier this week said law and order in the state is a matter of concern. Sonia advised Gehlot to pay greater attention to the matter. She had earlier asked him and Pilot to work in coordination and avoid public comments.

Mechanisms like coordination committees will be set up in Punjab, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh and Puducherry to ensure cohesion between government and organisation, sources said. "She was concerned about the manifesto promises...whether they are being implemented, how they are being monitored," a leader who attended the meeting said.

Sources said AICC general secretary in-charge of Madhya Pradesh Deepak Babaria listed out several shortcomings of the Kamal Nath government.

Sonia asked the chief ministers to explain steps their governments had taken or can take to soften the impact of the economic slowdown. "My take from the meeting was that we all thought she would be an easy-going president...and have somebody else helm the party soon....but it seems she means business," one of the leaders said.

"...Congress President emphasised that the alternate governance model, which is people-centric and inclusive, put forth by these states coupled with national agitational endeavour of the party, were the most effective way to deal with and defeat BJP's anti-people governments," a statement by the party said.

HC withdraws protection from arrest to Kolkata ex-top cop

Hours later, CBI team visits Rajeev Kumar's residence, serves notice

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
KOLKATA, SEPTEMBER 13

THE CALCUTTA High Court on Friday vacated its interim order granting protection to former Kolkata Police commissioner Rajeev Kumar from arrest in connection with the probe into the Saradha chit fund scam.

Justice Madhumati Mitra rejected Kumar's petition to quash the CBI notice seeking his appearance for questioning.

Kumar had moved the court after the agency served a notice and summoned him twice to appear before it for questioning.

Hours after the court withdrew the protection, a two-member CBI team reached Kumar's residence in the city - 34, Park Street - and left some 15 minutes later, at 5.15 pm. Stating that a notice has been served on Kumar, a senior CBI official said he has been summoned and asked to appear before the agency on Saturday morning.

But with Kumar on leave, the team could not meet him today. The Indian Express tried contacting Kumar's lawyer, Rudrodipto Nandi, on the matter but he refused to comment.

The CBI claims Kumar had tried to suppress evidence in Saradha and Rose Valley chit fund scam cases.

Following the court order, the agency has received a free hand to decide the next course of action.

On May 30, a vacation bench of the High Court had granted Kumar protection from arrest



Rajeev Kumar

and coercive action by CBI. The protection was extended from time to time during the hearing of his petition seeking quashing of the notice.

On Friday, Justice Mitra observed that right to life and personal liberty enshrined in Article 21 of the Constitution is not absolute, but a qualified right.

In her order, Justice Mitra said that Kumar's allegation that he was targeted and singled out for questioning by CBI cannot be accepted, as other officers superior to him in the SIT were questioned. The court also ruled that the notice served on Kumar by the investigating officer cannot be said to be mala fide, as alleged by the IPS officer, since the IO can question anyone acquainted with the case.

Noting that Kumar has failed to substantiate that the CBI was summoning him for questioning to dent his reputation, the court observed that it should be the duty of every responsible officer to assist an investigation.

"The application filed by the petitioner was turned down by the court. All interim orders passed earlier by this court was

EXPLAINED Rajeev Kumar's long tussle with CBI

CURRENTLY WEST Bengal CID's Additional D-G, Rajeev Kumar led the SIT set up by the state government to probe the Saradha chit fund scam before Supreme Court handed over the case to CBI, along with other chit fund cases, in 2014. On February 4, a CBI team was stopped from entering his residence — Kumar was then the Kolkata Police chief — when they went there to question him. CBI officials were subsequently taken to a local police station.

The Supreme Court asked Kumar to appear before the agency and cooperate with the probe, after which Kumar faced the CBI at "neutral" Shillong.

vacated. The judge commented during the order that none is above the law," CBI's counsel Anirban Mitra said.

Opposition leaders in the state welcomed the High Court's order. BJP state president and Lok Sabha MP Dilip Ghosh said, "It is good since CBI will now be free to investigate the case. The way CBI officials were taken to police station when they tried to meet Rajeev Kumar at his residence (on February 3) was nothing but an insult to the investigating agency."

CPI(M) leader Sujan Chakraborty said, "Kumar is an educated officer. It was unnecessary for him to take shelter of Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee. He should have handled it as per law."

Kumar was member of the special investigation team of Kolkata Police in the Saradha chit

fund scam probe.

Late in the evening of February 3 this year, West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee had sat on a dharna in front of Metro cinema, in the heart of Kolkata, following a standoff between her administration and a CBI team seeking to question Rajeev Kumar. Banerjee called it a "satyagraha" against stifling of the spirit of "Constitution and federalism".

She called off the protest two days later after the Supreme Court, in an order, restrained CBI from taking coercive steps against Kumar, including arresting him. The court issued a notice to the state government on the CBI's petition.

The Saradha group of companies allegedly duped lakhs of people to the tune of Rs 2,500 crore, promising higher rates of returns on their investments.



Kolhapur LS seat, the NCP leader has now crossed over to BJP. The Mahadik family continues to hold considerable clout in local politics, and his induction into BJP might make it difficult for former Congress minister Satej Patil, who had openly campaigned against Mahadik in the LS polls.

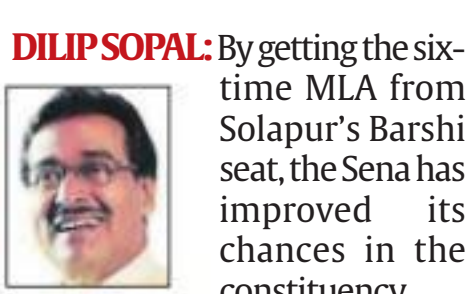


KRIPASHANKAR SINGH: The former Mumbai Congress president is yet to formally join any party after quitting the Congress earlier this week, but is tipped to join BJP. Kalina seat, from where he has traditionally contested, is with the Sena. With Singh seen as an influential face among North Indians, the BJP is keen to make further inroads into the community.



SACHIN AHIR: The Sena plans to field the party's heir apparent, Aditya Thackeray, from the Worli seat, and Ahir's induction is aimed at easing his way. Ahir, an ex-minister and former Mumbai NCP president, is a former MLA from Worli and enjoys some clout in Sewri, which he has represented in the past. A nephew of gangster Arun Gawli, Ahir has asked Sena to nominate him from Byculla.

In former NCP state women's president Chitra Wagh's exit, NCP lost another face in Mumbai. She joined the BJP.



DILIP SOPAL: By getting the six-time MLA from Solapur's Barshi seat, the Sena has improved its chances in the constituency. Once a close aide of NCP chief Pawar, Sopal is a former state minister. Another NCP leader from Solapur's Karmala district, Rashmi Bagal, has also joined Sena. Former Congress MLA Dileep Mane, who had earlier represented Solapur-South, has also joined the Sena.

KALIDAS KOLAMBKAR: In 2014, Kolambkar was among the five Congress candidates from Mumbai to win the assembly

SC/ST Act: Apex court sends Centre's plea for review to three-judge bench

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

THE SUPREME Court on Friday decided to send the Centre's plea seeking review of its March 2018 judgment that forbid arrest without prior sanction for offences under the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 to a three-judge bench.

"Considering the importance of the matter, we feel that these matters should be heard by a three-judge bench," a bench of Justices Arun Mishra and U U Lalit ruled, and added that the matter be listed next week.

Taking serious note of instances of abuse of the Act by "vested interests" for political and personal reasons, the court had on March 20, 2018, laid down stringent safeguards including provision for anticipatory bail and vetting of complaint to determine if a case was made out before registration of FIR under the Act.

"To avoid false implication of an innocent, a preliminary enquiry may be conducted by the DSP concerned to find out whether the allegations make out a case under the Atrocities Act and that the allegations are not frivolous or motivated," a bench of Justices A K Goel and U U Lalit had ruled.

The court said that if the accused person is a public servant, arrest can be made only with the permission of the appointing authority, and where the accused is

not a public servant, prior permission of the Senior Superintendent of Police of the district was necessary for arrest. The reasons for granting permission for arrest should be recorded in writing and served upon the accused and the concerned court.

The order came on a petition by Subhash Kashinath Mahajan, who was Director of Technical Education, Maharashtra, against a Bombay High Court order. The HC had rejected his plea challenging an FIR against him for denying sanction to prosecute an official of the department who had made adverse remarks in the ACR of an employee.

The judgment created a political storm, forcing the government to approach the court once again seeking review.

Seeking review, the Centre said that potential for misuse was not a valid ground for reading down stringent provisions of the Act and said diluting the Act would deprive members of SC and ST community from rights guaranteed under the Constitution. It added that the judgment would have "wide ramifications" and the additional procedural safeguards introduced by it "would result in impeding the strict interpretation" of the Act "leading to inevitably diluting" its efficacy.

Hearing it on April 3, 2018, the bench of Justices Goel and Lalit refused to grant any interim stay. The court said it had not diluted the Act but only attempted to protect the innocent.



Udayanraje Bhosale

NCP MP from Satara set to resign, join BJP

MANOJ MORE
PUNE, SEPTEMBER 13

UDAYANRAJE BHOSALE, the 13th direct descendant of Chhatrapati Shivaji and NCP MP from Satara, is set to join the BJP on Saturday in the presence of Prime Minister Narendra Modi in Delhi. The Sharad-Pawar led NCP has termed the development "good riddance" and said Bhosale was at the root of all problems within the party's Satara unit.

"I received inspiration to carry out social work from the love and blessings of you all. Hope the same love and blessings will be with me forever," Bhosale tweeted on Friday.

Bhosale will resign as MP and seek re-election, said his aide Milind Gaiwkad. "Accompanied by the Chief Minister (Devendra Fadnavis), he will fly to Delhi from Pune in a chartered plane. Around 9 pm, he will submit his resignation to the Lok Sabha Speaker," he said.

According to sources, the delay in Bhosale joining BJP was caused due to several conditions he set, including his insistence on joining the party in the presence of the Prime Minister.

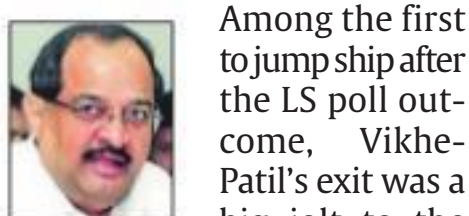
Bhosale met Pawar on Wednesday, triggering speculation that he had decided against quitting the NCP. However, NCP sources have said he met Pawar to seek his blessings and thank him for his support during his time in the party.

NCP spokesperson Nawab Malik underplayed Bhosale's exit. "It's good riddance for us. Henceforth, there will be no trouble in our Satara unit..." he said. BJP leaders said Bhosale's entry will strengthen the party not just in Satara but across Maharashtra. "His entry will help the party consolidate Maratha votes. Since he Shivaji's direct descendant, he commands immense respect among the people," a BJP leader said.

With a little help from outside, BJP-Sena hopes big in Maharashtra

AHEAD OF the Assembly polls, desertion of key leaders from the Congress and the Nationalist Congress Party (NCP) have reshaped Maharashtra's political landscape. As many as 24 leaders — among them 13 serving legislators — have joined either BJP or ally Shiv Sena since the Lok Sabha polls. With NCP's sitting MP from Satara, Udayanraje Bhosle, now being tipped to join BJP, *The Indian Express* takes a look at some of the top leaders who have quit these two opposition parties, some of them yet to join the saffron camp:

RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE-PATIL:



Among the first to jump ship after the LS poll outcome, Vikhe-Patil's exit was a big jolt to the Congress. A third-generation leader from Ahmednagar's Vikhe-Patil family, which has dominated the region's politics for decades, he was earlier Leader of Opposition in Maharashtra Assembly and is a five-term MLA from Shirdi and is seen as the most influential politician in Ahmednagar. Son Sujay, who had joined BJP before the LS polls, is now a sitting MP.

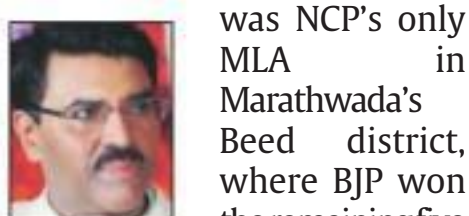
After joining BJP, Vikhe-Patil was sworn-in as Housing Minister in Devendra Fadnavis's government.

HARSHAVARDHAN PATIL:



With former state minister and senior Congress leader's induction earlier this week, BJP wants to wrest Indapur from NCP, which borders the Pawar stronghold of Baramati. Patil, a four-term MLA from the constituency, is a sworn political rival of former Deputy CM Ajit Pawar. NCP chief Sharad Pawar's nephew, who represents Baramati. In 2014, he lost from Indapur to NCP's Dattatray Bhame.

JAYDUTT KSHIRSAGAR:



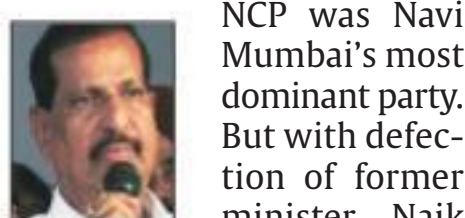
He was NCP's only MLA in Marathwada's Beed district, where BJP won the remaining five seats in 2014. Upset at being sidelined in NCP's local politics,



CM Devendra Fadnavis with newly inducted BJP leader Madhukar Pichad in Ahmednagar district on Friday. PPT

Kshirsagar buried past differences with the district's guardian minister, BJP's Pankaja Munde, but joined the Sena to assure himself of renomination from the seat. Sena is banking on him to open its account in Beed this time.

GANESH NAIK: Not so long ago,



NCP was Navi Mumbai's most dominant party. But with defection of former minister Naik and son Sandeep, BJP has strengthened its position further. Incidentally, there has been some rebellion within local BJP and the Sena ranks over Naik's induction.

BHASKAR JADHAV: Sena has



gained the upper hand in seat-sharing talks with BJP for Guhagar seat in Konkan. While BJP has traditionally contested this seat, Jadhav had wrested it for NCP in 2014. Sena chief Uddhav Thackeray would also like Jadhav to help him wrest Kankavli seat, a pocket borough of former CM Narayan Rane. But his induction is seen as a setback for Sena minister Ramdas Kadam, who is from the same region.

SHIVENDRARAJE BHOSLE: In



2014, NCP and Congress had won five out of six seats in Satara district. The induction of Chhatrapati

Shivaji Maharaj's descendent Bhosle, a three-term MLA from Satara-Jawali, is part of BJP's larger ploy to make deeper inroads into the western Maharashtra sugar belt. Bhosle's family has represented the seat consistently since 1978. The BJP has also been in touch with another Pawar confidante Ramraje Naik Nimbalkar, and Congress MLC Anandrao Patil, who is a close aide of former CM Prithviraj Chavan.

MADHUKAR PICHAD: Former



NCP state president is an ex-minister, and his son Vaibhav, elected from Akole in 2014, have both joined the BJP. In 2014, Congress and NCP had won six out of 12 seats in Ahmednagar region, but this time, with both Vikhe-Patil and Pichad in its camp, BJP seems to be in a very strong position.

RANA JAGAJITSINH PATIL:



Patil and his father, Padamsinh Patil, considered to be a close confidante of Sharad Pawar, have dominated politics in Osmanabad for four decades. Padamsinh's sister Sunetra is Ajit Pawar's wife. The father-son duo both have been ministers in the Congress-NCP governments in the state. Jagajitsinh was NCP's LS 2019 candidate from Osmanabad.

DHANANJAY MAHADIK:

Having failed in retaining

SC to Centre: Planning norms for social media companies?

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

THE SUPREME Court on Friday sought to know if the Centre was planning to draw up guidelines to link social media accounts with Aadhaar number of users to ensure cyber law compliance.

The query came from a bench of Justices Deepak Gupta and Aniruddha Bose while hearing a plea by Facebook, urging it to transfer to itself four petitions pending before the High Courts of Madras, Bombay and Madhya Pradesh, which, according to the firm, seeks linking of Aadhaar with social media accounts.

"If Union of India is saying they are contemplating something in the very near future, then it may have a bearing on the case," the bench said. Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, appearing for the Centre, stated he will take instructions and get back to the court.

Senior Advocate Mukul Rohatgi, appearing for one of the social media platforms, said he will show that it was not just in realm of contemplation, but consultations were underway.

Mehta also submitted that the Centre had no objection if the petitions were transferred, but added substantial judicial time had already been spent on the matter in Madras High Court.

The bench said it will not look at the merits of the case and will only decide whether they need to be transferred or not.

Facebook had contended that the matter raises questions of privacy of users and that the question whether service providers can be asked to share data with probe agencies to help them in criminal investigation will have global ramifications and should be settled by the apex court.

Replying to Facebook's plea Thursday, the Tamil Nadu government had hit out at the website, saying its concern for user privacy was "fallacious" given its own "business model". The state government had referred to the "Cambridge Analytica Scandal" to buttress the charge.

Tejas LCA clears ‘arrested landing’ test, next stop aircraft carrier

KRISHN KAUSHIK
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

IN A major achievement for indigenously built fighter planes, Tejas Light Combat Aircraft (LCA) on Friday succeeded in the first "arrested landing" test in the country. The test, held for the Navy's planes at a shore-based site, is a significant milestone ahead of landing such planes on an aircraft carrier.

The "first ever arrested landing of LCA (Navy) at the shore-based test facility, INS Hansa, Goa, took place which will pave the way for this indigenous platform to undertake Aircraft Carrier landing demonstration on board the Indian Naval Aircraft Carrier, Vikramaditya," the Defence Ministry said in a statement.

The tests were held on Friday morning at INS Hansa, the naval air station in Goa. A similar test had failed last year.

Calling it a "textbook arrested landing" test, the ministry stated it

Railways slashes fares for Humsafar trains

New Delhi: With occupancy and patronage not improving, the Indian Railways on Friday decided to give its Humsafar brand of trains a fresh lease of life through a slew of moves for overall rationalisation.

Humsafar trains were launched in 2016 with only AC-III tier coaches. Now, dynamic flexi-fares will not be applicable on these trains and they will have non-AC sleeper coaches as well.

The relief on fares will be applicable to 35 pairs of Humsafar trains, an official said. The tatkal ticket fares for these trains have now been reduced. They will now cost 1.3 times of the base fare, instead of 1.5 times, the official said. This means that the tatkal fare in Humsafar trains has been made equivalent to the normal tatkal rule of other mail/express trains. **ENS**

Nod for acquisition of military hardware worth Rs 2,000 cr

New Delhi: The Defence Acquisition Council, headed by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, on Friday accorded approval for procurement of weapons and military platforms amounting to around Rs 2,000 crore. The Council gave the nod for indigenous development and production of main gun 125-mm Armour Piercing Fin Stabilised Discarding-Sabot ammunition for T-72/T-90 tanks. It also approved procurement of Mechanical Mine Layer (Self-Propelled), developed by DRDO and the Indian industry. **ENS**

"heralds and displays the professional prowess of our scientific community Aeronautical Development Agency (ADA)", which is

Delhi court allows Vadra to travel abroad on business

New Delhi: A Delhi court Friday allowed Robert Vadra, son-in-law of Congress chief Sonia Gandhi, to travel abroad on business, saying the ED's apprehension that he might tamper with evidence was without any basis.

Special judge Arvind Kumar granted permission to Vadra to travel to Spain from September 21 to October 8.

Vadra is facing allegations of

under the aegis of the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO).

The successful test "marks the start of a new era where multiple agencies have come together to achieve a common goal", the ministry stated. It has "put India on the world map as a nation with the capability to design a deck landing aircraft", it added, and mentioned that Defence Minister Rajnath Singh congratulated ADA, Hindustan Aeronautics Limited, DRDO, and Indian Navy for this feat.

Explaining importance of the test, sources in DRDO said that compared to nearly 1,000 metres for landing on land, an LCA such as Tejas has only 100 metres for an arrested landing. Similarly, on an aircraft carrier, the take-off space is decreased 100 metres — down from 200 metres on land.

Although it is an important step, there is still a long process before the aircraft can be tested for landing on an aircraft carrier, officials said.

Kamal Nath says Narmada body overlooking MP's interests

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
BHOPAL, SEPTEMBER 13

ACCUSING THE Narmada Control Authority (NCA) of overlooking the interests of Madhya Pradesh, Chief Minister Kamal Nath on Friday demanded Centre's intervention to convene a meeting of the authority to resolve the rehabilitation and re-settlement (R&R) issues related to the Sardar Sarovar Project.

In a letter to Union Water Resources Minister Gajendra Shekhawat, the CM alleged that the NCA was constituted to implement the award given in 1979 by the Narmada Water Disputes Tribunal (NWDIT) but the agency has not done its job properly and often failed to work impartially.

Alleging that the decisions by NCA had adverse impact on MP, the CM said that the Gujarat government did not generate power from the riverbed power house in 2018-19 and stored water. On April 15, 2019, the NCA unilaterally decided not to generate power from the riverbed to allow Gujarat to fill the reservoir during monsoon. He said requests made in May to review NCA's decision and in June reminding it of immediate action to avoid legal complications in future were ignored.

The CM also said that in the last two decades, Gujarat has failed to provide the R&R cost as mandated by NWDIT which has seriously affected the interests and finances of MP.

Govt slaps Minimum Export Price on onions

MMTC drops Pakistan from list of countries for import

PARTHA SARATHI BISWAS
PUNE, SEPTEMBER 13

THE UNION government on Friday slapped a steep Minimum Export Price (MEP) of \$850 per tonne on onions, virtually putting brakes on the export of the produce. This is the first time MEP has been imposed on onions this year.

This means that henceforth, exports will not be allowed if the consignments are priced below \$850 per tonne. The steep MEP will, in a way, stop all outbound shipment of onions from India. During the financial year 2018-19, India had exported 21.82 lakh tonnes of the bulb.

This move comes days after the state-owned MMTC Ltd floated a tender for import of onions from "Pakistan, Egypt, China, Afghanistan or any other origin", triggering criticism from farmers in Maharashtra. The tender, dated September 6, sought delivery of the imported shipments by November-end.

The MMTC on Friday issued a corrigendum to its tender, excluding Pakistan as the country of origin, thereby making bids from the neighbouring country ineligible. The inclusion of Pakistan in the tender list had evoked sharp criticism from various quarters. Friday's corrigendum stated that the "country of

origin to be read as any country of origin, excluding Pakistan".

The Directorate of Foreign Trade (DoFT) raised the MEP through a notification on Friday. On December 29, 2017, the Centre had imposed MEP of \$850 per tonne, but it was brought down to \$700 per tonne on January 19, 2018. On February 19 of the same year, MEP was removed altogether. This would be the third intervention by the government to control onion prices. In June, the Centre had done away with the 10 per cent export subsidy declared on the bulb.

While Pasha Patel, chairman of Maharashtra's commission of agricultural pricing, said the MEP will prevent artificial hoarding, farmers' bodies called the move "anti-farmer".

Prices in mandis of Maharashtra — the largest onion growing state accounting for more than 33 per cent of national produce — have been on the rise since April. The average traded price of onion at Lasalgaon wholesale market in Nashik's Niphad taluka on Friday was Rs 2,950 per quintal — the highest such price for the year. Traders and sources in the market said that both the decisions to import and imposition of MEP were steps taken by the Centre to prevent further rise in prices.

In Maharashtra, farmers grow three crops of the bulb: kharif

(sown in June-July and harvested in October-November), late-kharif (sown in August-September and harvested in January-March) and rabi (sown in November-December and harvested after March). Of these, the rabi onion can be stored due to its lower moisture content. Farmers usually stock these onions in 'kanda chawls' (on-field raised structures designed to prevent moisture ingress) and gradually offload them during the summer and monsoon months.

The current price rise is mainly due to a dip in 2018-19 rabi acreage to 2.66 lakh hectares (1h) when compared to the previous year's 3.54 lh. Also, kharif sowing in the state has reported a dip.

Maintaining that the measures were meant to stop artificial hoarding in markets, Patel said: "There is a dip in onion cultivation area, which will play out in the prices. All the measures are to ensure that middlemen do not take undue advantage of the situation."

However, Anil Ghanwat, president of the farmer's union Shetkari Sanghatana, urged farmers not to vote for the ruling BJP-Shiv Sena alliance. "The anti-farmer face of the government is being revealed. By trying to control wholesale prices, the government is trying to ensure cheap onions for urban voters at the cost of farmers," he said.

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Last date of submission of Application form alongwith self-attested true copies of the relevant documents in **NINE SETS** is **5th October, 2019**.

Note : The appointment is subject to the final decision of the Hon'ble High Court, Nagpur Bench, in Writ Petitions No. 455 of 2016 & 512 of 2018.

Registrar

THE HARYANA STATE COOPERATIVE SUPPLY
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CORPORATE OFFICE, SECTOR-5, PANCHKULA, HARYANA (INDIA)

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NOTICE INVITING AGENCIES FOR PROVIDING COMPLETE
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The Haryana State Cooperative Supply & Marketing Federation Ltd., popularly known as HAFED invites an Expression of Interest from reputed Agencies to be engaged for providing end-to-end solution w.r.t. placement of Hafed Consumer Products on popular E-Commerce.

Expression of Interest (EOI) containing scope of work, eligibility criteria, preparation of proposals and procedure of selection can be downloaded from Hafed website i.e. <http://hafed.gov.in/>.

Interested agencies should submit their proposals along with presentation for participation in the bid on 3rd October, 2019 at 11.30 A.M. in the Conference room of Hafed Corporate Office, Sector-5, Panchkula. For any clarification/details, Contact 0172-2590520-26 (Ext. 204) or E-mail at hafedmarketing1@gmail.com. Hafed reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without assigning any reason.

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ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF INDIA
Delhi Circle, 3rd floor, Block – D, GPO Complex,
INA, New Delhi 110023, Telephone : 24654832

DRIVE FOR REGISTRATION OF THE ANTIQUITIES
ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF INDIA,
MINISTRY OF CULTURE

All Indian citizens are informed that "Archaeological Survey of India, Ministry of Culture, Government of India as per provisions of the Antiquities and Art Treasure Act 1972" under section 14 is organizing a special 15 day (13th-28th September 2019) drive for registration of the antiquities. Every person who owns/controls or is in possession of any antiquity may contact the office of Superintending Archaeologist, ASI, Delhi Circle, 3rd floor, Block - D, GPO Complex, INA, New Delhi-110023 with the following documents :-

1. Three post cards size photographs of the antiquities.

2. Three copies of application form VII (you can receive the Form no. VII in Delhi Circle office or www.asi.nic.in).

Registration will be done by checking the antiquities by the registering officer as per his satisfaction. An exhibition will be organized at Superintending Archaeologist, ASI, Delhi Circle, 3rd floor, Block - D, GPO Complex, INA, New Delhi-110023 on 25-27 September 2019. All the registered antiquities will be displayed after permission of the owner. After exhibition all the antiquities will be handed over to the owners. The antiquities should not be less than one hundred years.

As per section 14 (1) of the AAT Act, 1972 it is mandatory to register the following category of antiquities.

1. Sculpture in all media-stone, terracotta, Metals, ivory, wood and bone.

2. Paintings (including miniatures and thankas) in all media-paper, wood, cloth, silk, and the like.

3. Manuscripts, where such manuscripts contain paintings, illustrations or illuminations ;

4. Sculptured figures in wood (both in relief and round).

This is also to inform that following categories of antiquities are exempted from registration:-

1. Coins.

2. Arms, armours, medals, furniture, textiles and jewellery.

Applications residing in following 11 districts under the jurisdiction of the Delhi Circle may apply for registration of antiquities.

New Delhi, North Delhi, North West Delhi, West Delhi, South West Delhi, South Delhi, South East Delhi, Central Delhi, North East Delhi, Shahdara, East Delhi.

Superintending Archaeologist

11 drown as two boats capsize in Bhopal during Ganesh Visarjan

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
BHOPAL, SEPTEMBER 13

ELEVEN MEN drowned after two overcrowded boats capsized in the lower lake (Chhoti Jheel) at Bhopal's Khatlapura Ghat early on Friday. The boats had been joined to carry an idol of Lord Ganesh on the occasion of Ganesh Visarjan.

Tragedy struck when the idol was being lowered for immersion around 4.30 am. A mobile video shot by an onlooker showed that the other boat lost balance and the revellers struggling to remain on it.

Chief Minister Kamal Nath ordered an inquiry and announced compensation of Rs 4 lakh per victim. However, former CM Shivraj Singh Chouhan and BJP leaders demanded that the compensation be increased, prompting the government to hike it to Rs 11 lakh per victim. The municipal corporation also announced additional relief of Rs 2 lakh each.

312 Sikhs taken off MHA's 'adverse list', only two remain

DEEPTIMAN TIWARY
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

AS MANY as 312 Sikhs, who had fled the country during the peak of militancy in Punjab and were thus put on an "Adverse List" prepared by the government, have been taken out of it. The 314-strong list now has only two individuals.

The adverse list prevented these people, who have now either taken asylum in other countries or are citizens there, from getting an Indian visa.

The government's move will help them visit India and meet their family members, according to sources in the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA).

Sources said the government has reviewed the adverse list and brought it down to just two who are still suspected of being linked with forces inimical to India. The review is a dynamic process that

EXPLAINED What is Central Adverse List?

THE MHA maintains a list of individuals who supported the Khalistan movement in the 1980s and '90s and left India to take asylum abroad. This list included name of pro-Khalistan "hardliners" who had opposed the Operation Blue Star. This list is not restricted to Punjab, or the Khalistan movement; it has names of individuals who are suspected to have links with terror outfits or violated visa norms in a previous visit to India, those who indulged in criminal activities or been accused of sexual crimes against children in their respective countries.

is carried out periodically, sources said.

An MHA official said, "During the 1980s, many Sikh Indian nationals and foreign nationals belonging to the Sikh community fell to anti-India propaganda.

Some Sikh Indian nationals fled abroad to escape the authorities, and took asylum outside. They were placed in the adverse list until 2016, making them ineligible to avail visa services to visit India."

According to the official, a

major issue coming in the way of grant of consular or visa services to asylees (people seeking or granted asylum) and their family members, mostly belonging to the Sikh community, was maintenance of local adverse lists by Indian missions.

"This practice has also been discontinued," the official said. "Consequently, all Indian missions/posts abroad have been advised to grant appropriate visa to all categories of asylees and derivative asylees (or family members) whose names do not figure in the Central Adverse List, in line with the procedure followed for other categories of applicants of that nationality."

Sources said all categories of asylees who become eligible for issuance of long term Indian visa will also be eligible to apply for registration as Overseas Citizen of India cardholders after they have applied for and held normal visas for a period of two years.

CHENNAI TECHIE'S DEATH

Madras HC says 'lost faith' in Tamil Nadu govt

JANARDHAN Koushik
CHENNAI, SEPTEMBER 13

THE MADRAS High Court on Friday said it has "lost faith" in the Tamil Nadu government, criticising the state on the issue of illegal hoardings.

The court's remarks came a day after an illegal hoarding erected on a road fell on a 23-year-old woman riding a two-wheeler, who then lost her balance and was crushed to death by a water tanker. The hoarding in question was put up by former AIADMK councillor C Jayagopal for his son's wedding. The marriage was attended by high-profile AIADMK functionaries, including Deputy Chief Minister O Panneerselvam.

The victim, Subhasri, had been working as a techie with a private firm and was to go to Canada in a few months to pursue her higher education.

In 2017, the Madras High Court had passed an order banning hoardings of living persons and political parties along roads and pavements as it obstructs traffic and is an inconvenience to pedestrians. The High Court, while hearing a contempt petition filed by social activist 'Traffic' Ramasamy in December 2018, had issued an interim order restricting all political parties in Tamil Nadu from erecting digital banners or banners in public places.

On Friday, a High Court divi-



An illegal hoarding fell on Subhasri while she was riding a two-wheeler. She lost her balance and was crushed by a water tanker.

sion bench comprising Justice N Seshasayee and Justice M Sathyanarayanan said, "There is zero respect for lives in this country to do sheer bureaucratic apathy. We have lost faith in this government."

The court also expressed its displeasure over the authorities failing to implement its orders on erecting hoardings. "Just imagine how much the girl could have contributed to the GDP of this nation. Couldn't that politician have conducted the marriage without banners? Or would the ministers get lost in the city in the absence of such banners directing them to the venue?" the bench said.

The court also directed the state government to hand over Rs 5 lakh as interim compensation to Subhasri's family, and called for the state to come up with a concrete plan for the implementation of the ban on

hoardings.

As the incident triggered outrage on social media, both DMK and AIADMK issued statements, warning their cadre not to erect hoardings or put up banners for any party or family functions.

DMK leader M K Stalin said he wouldn't participate in any public rally or event if he comes across those banners. Meanwhile, Chief Minister Edappadi K Palaniswami and Panneerselvam jointly issued a statement, claiming that certain "over-enthusiastic party cadres" are indulging in these kinds of activities without realising the consequences.

Despite several attempts by *The Indian Express*, Jayagopal was not reachable for comments.

According to retired Justice K Chandru, there is no legal sanction on erecting digital banners at public places.

"These politicians brought this culture of seeking permission for erecting banners to the Collector if it's a district and to the Corporation Commissioner if it's a city. It's only a government order and there is no legal sanction to it. Even in that, the ruling party will seek permission for 200 banners and end up setting up thousand plus banners. There is only one way to curb this culture - instead of filing the complaint against the councillor or local in-charge, the police should file a case against the party head as a collective fine for encouraging their cadres," he said.

It's for India, Pak to find lasting solution to Kashmir: UK PM

ADITI KHANNA
LONDON, SEPTEMBER 13



Boris Johnson

BRITISH PRIME Minister Boris Johnson has said that it is for India and Pakistan to find a lasting solution to the Kashmir issue, in accordance with the wishes of the Kashmiri people.

Reiterating the UK government's stand on Kashmir, Johnson in a letter dated September 6 described both India and Pakistan as "important partners to the UK", in response to a letter written last month by Conservative Party MP Bob Blackman, who supported India's decision to revoke Article 370 and withdraw the special status of Jammu and Kashmir.

"The government's long-standing position remains that it is for India and Pakistan to find a lasting political solution to the situation in Kashmir, in accordance with the wishes of the Kashmiri people," Johnson noted.

He also repeated the UK government stance for "calm and restraint" as he stressed that he remains in regular contact with both Indian and Pakistani governments as Britain continues to monitor the situation in Kashmir closely.

"Both India and Pakistan are important partners to the UK. Our respective bilateral relationships continue to flourish. This is demonstrated by cooperation with both countries on a range of issues, as well as the vibrancy

of our people-to-people links bolstered by large and active Indian and Pakistani diaspora here in the UK," Johnson added.

Blackman, the north London MP who has been a long-time supporter of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, had issued his letter as part of a tit-for-tat letter spat triggered in the UK, days after the revocation of Article 370.

"Constitutional changes are an internal matter for India. There is a widely respected convention that we do not interfere in the domestic affairs of a third country, especially a long-standing friend and ally like India," he wrote, calling on the British PM to condemn the Opposition Labour Party for breaking from Britain's long-held position that any matter concerning Kashmir was a "strictly bilateral issue".

The Tory MP accused the Opposition MPs of making provocative claims against India which has a long-established tradition of respecting all faiths in his letter.

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CURFEW IN KISHTWAR

Militants hold PDP leader, kin hostage, flee with PSO's rifle

ARUN SHARMA
JAMMU, SEPTEMBER 13

CURFEW WAS imposed in Jammu and Kashmir's Kishtwar town on Friday after three militants held senior PDP leader Sheikh Nasir Hussain and his family members hostage at their residence on Thursday night and later decamped with the AK-47 rifle of Hussain's personal security officer Mubassar.

Deputy Commissioner Angrez Singh Rana said curfew was imposed as a precautionary measure as the weapon of the security officer had been snatched.

IGP, Jammu, Mukesh Singh, said two militants have been identified as Osama and Zahid, residents of Kishtwar, and the third is suspected to be from Kashmir.

Osama, sources said, is a local commander of Hizbul Mujahideen. Zahid is a mechanic who joined the terror ranks after police came to know that his vehicle was used by militants in the killing of RSS functionary Chanderkant Sharma and his PSO at Kishtwar district hospital in April, the sources added.

Police have registered a case



Security personnel during restrictions in Srinagar Friday. PTI

and launched searches to nab the militants.

It was Mubassar, a Special Police Officer (SPO), who contacted police after he managed to free himself from the ropes the militants tied him.

Sheikh Nasir, an advocate by profession, is the Kishtwar district president of PDP. Around 11 pm on Thursday, the three armed militants entered the house. According to the sources, the militants tied the hands and legs of Nasir's family members with ropes, put tapes on their mouths and locked them up in different rooms. Thereafter, they

threatened Nasir for nearly 11 hours for joining mainstream politics, said sources.

In the morning, militants asked the domestic help to make tea for them, sources said. Around 9 am, they asked Nasir to call his PSO who had gone to his home at Kishtwar's Ziarat area Thursday night.

The militants made the PDP leader call Mudassar home. When the PSO reached there, the militants overpowered and tied him up with ropes before locking him inside a room on the second floor. Thereafter, they fled in the car belonging to Nasir's brother.

Sajad Lone's party moves SC against Centre's Art 370 move

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
SRINAGAR, SEPTEMBER 13

SAJAD LONE'S Jammu & Kashmir People's Conference on Friday filed a writ petition before the Supreme Court, challenging the 2019 Jammu and Kashmir (Reorganisation) Act and abrogation of Article 370.

According to a party spokesperson, "In the petition settled by Senior Advocate Rajeev Dhavan and filed through advocate Ejaz Maqbool, People's Conference has contended that abrogation of Article 370 of the Constitution of India was an illegal and unconstitutional exercise of Article 356 of the Constitution of India."

The petition argued that the state of Jammu and Kashmir had a separate Constitution and the Parliament had "limited scope" to enact legislation for the state. "Therefore, by a Parliamentary Act the powers given to the State of Jammu and Kashmir by its own Constitution could not have been abrogated by merely taking away Article 370...."

In the petition, the party noted that the Presidential orders of August 5 and August 6 on Article 370 are "unconstitutional" as the concurrence of the popularly-elected state government was not taken.

"Furthermore, the Governor of state of Jammu and Kashmir kept the entire state and its people in the dark as nobody was not informed that such a drastic action against the interest of the state was being taken," it added.

MANISH SAHU
LUCKNOW, SEPTEMBER 13

AN ASSISTANT professor of Allahabad University has gone on indefinite leave from last month, saying he feared being lynched on campus.

Vikram Harijan (40), a Dalit assistant professor in the Medieval and Ancient History Department, said he sent his leave application after he was gheraoed and threatened over some remarks he was seen making in a video that went viral in August.

The university administration has issued a showcase notice to Vikram for his allegedly objectionable remarks in the video, and he is yet to file a reply. The ABVP has filed a police complaint against him.

Vikram alleged that a research scholar, Ranjeet Kumar, also a Dalit, had edited the video of a two-year-old speech and circulated it to harass him.

The video, in which Vikram allegedly made objectionable remarks against a Hindu God, went viral on August 20. "The 23-minute video shows parts of a speech I gave during B R Ambedkar's birth anniversary on April 14, 2017. It was a small get-together outside the campus. I had narrated an incident to explain that we can move forward with hard work and not depend on destiny. I wanted to promote rationality through my statement," said Vikram.

Chinmayanand case: Student taken to ashram for spot verification

MAULSHREE SETH
SHAHJAHANPUR, SEPTEMBER 13

THE SHAHJAHANPUR law student, who has alleged that BJP leader Chinmayanand raped and sexually assaulted her for over a year, was taken by the SIT to the college and his ashram in the campus premises on Friday for spot verification of the allegations and verification of evidence.

The college was closed on Friday, with a notice pasted outside the premises declaring the same. All students were turned back after being informed that the college would reopen on Monday.

While Chinmayanand was

questioned by the SIT for several hours on Thursday evening, the woman and her father were taken to the ashram on Friday. No one else was allowed inside, and heavy police force was deployed in the premises.

"I was asked to stay outside, while they took her to all the rooms for spot verification of evidence. She informed them about the rooms in the ashram, where his men used to take her and where everything took place," the father told *The Indian Express*. He said that the spectacles with camera she had used for recordings were missing, but the SIT had asked her to give proof of purchase of those spectacles.

"I informed them that I had purchased them from an online shopping website earlier this

year, and that I would give them proof of purchase," the woman told *The Indian Express*.

The woman's father said they would submit to the SIT proof of the allegations in the form of video recordings made by the woman. The woman said there is proof in about 35 videos recorded by her over a few months.

Earlier in the day, as students reached the college, they were turned back citing suspension of educational activities because of unforeseen circumstances. A hurriedly written notice on A4 size paper read in Hindi, "Important notice, today all students of the college are being informed that educational activities will remain suspended because of unforeseen reasons."

NORTHERN RAILWAY
Tender Notice
Invitation of tender through E-Tendering (E-Procurement Systems)
NIT No.: 221-S/42/AMC/PSD/2019/ML-V Name of work and its location: "Annual Maintenance Contract of Fog Safe Device (FSDs) for 04 months 16 Nov' 19 to 15 March' 20". Approx. cost of work: Rs. 14,59,293.71 (Fourteen Lakh Fifty Nine Thousand Two Hundred Ninety Three and Seventy one paise only) plus GST as applicable Earnest money: Rs.29200/- Completion period of work : Four Months i.e. 04 months from the date of execution of work. Cost of tender document on cash/bid post : Rs.2360/- with GST @18% Date and Time for submission of tender and opening of tender: Upto 15:00 hrs. on 07.10.2019 Opening of Tender at 15:00 hrs. Website particulars notice board location complete details of tender can be seen: Above tender available on IREPS site i.e. www.ireps.gov.in. Date : 13.09.2019 2954/19

Government of Jharkhand
Dr. Ram Dayal Munda Tribal Welfare Research Institute, Ranchi
Schedule Tribe, Schedule Caste, Minorities, and OBC Welfare Department
Ref no. 1071 Ranchi, Dated 13.09.2019
Expression of Interest
Dr. Ram Dayal Munda Tribal Welfare Research Institute (TRI), Ranchi invites Expression of Interest (EOI) from interested Universities (all colleges)/ Department of Universities/ Govt. Organization/ Educational Institute/ Research Institute/ NGOs for undertaking a Research Project of TRI, Ranchi during the year 2019-20:
TOPIC: Tribal History of Jungle Mahal (1. Jhargram 2. Bardhwan 3. Midnapur 4. Bankura 5. Panchait 6. Manbhum 7. Singhbhum 8. Dhalbhum etc.) from Ancient to British Period.
Interested agencies are hereby requested to submit Expression of Interest (EOI) duly forwarded by registrar of universities [applicable Universities (all colleges)/ Department of Universities only] along with technical bid giving relevant details of the organization necessary for evaluating the competencies on or before 10/10/2019 till 4.00 P.M. The price should be all-inclusive of (all requisite statutory taxes, if applicable) and not open-ended.
The intending agencies may submit their bid in a sealed envelope clearly written in BOLD "A TECHNICAL PROPOSAL FOR TOPIC: Tribal History of Jungle Mahal (1. Jhargram 2. Bardhwan 3. Midnapur 4. Bankura 5. Panchait 6. Manbhum 7. Singhbhum 8. Dhalbhum etc.) from Ancient to British Period, on or before the due date. (Please specify the name of the concerned work)" written on the top of the envelope. These envelopes are to be addressed to the Director, Dr. Ram Dayal Munda Tribal Welfare Research Institute (TRI), Morabadi, Ranchi-834008. TRI will not be responsible for delay in transits or damages or loss of tender document sent by post.
Technical Bid will be opened on 16.10.2019 in the office of the Director, TRI, Ranchi.
Only those agencies which fulfill technical criteria will be considered for the presentation of the project.
Terms of Reference (ToR) and other details can be obtained from the office of the TRI on any working day during office hour to meet concerned Nodal person and the same can also be downloaded from the website www.prdjharkhand.in or through E-mail tri.directorate@gmail.com by specifying the topic & details of Institution/ Organization Interested.
TRI, Ranchi reserves all rights to accept or reject all or any of the EOI's at any stage without assigning any reasons. TRI, Ranchi also reserves the right to engage/impanel one or more firm depending on requirements.
Sd/-
Director
बूद — बूद नही बरतये तो बूद को तरसेये PR216861 Welfare(19-20)D

NORTH EASTERN RAILWAY
Open Tender Notice No.:
N/539/2/OT/19-20/27
"Open Tenders" through Online (E-Tendering) are invited by Divisional Railway Manager (Signal & Telecomm)/Varanasi/N.E. Railway for and behalf of the President of India for the following works: **Tender Notice No. and Description of work:**
N/539/2/OT/19-20/27: S & T work in connection with Proposal for construction of Camtech design washing pit, Sick Line, Covered shed, Service building etc. at Varanasi City station of Varanasi Division. Details: Approx. Value: ₹ 32,82,669.52, Earnest Money: ₹ 65,700/-, Cost of Tender Form: ₹ 3,000/-, Completion Period: 06 Months, Tender Closing date & Time: 07.10.2019 upto 15.00 Hrs.
1. Tender Online will be submitted up to 15.00 hrs. on date 07.10.2019.
2. For full details and submission of bid kindly visit the Official website of Indian railways i.e. www.ireps.gov.in.
Divl. Rly. Manager (S&T)
CPRO/Signal-56 Varanasi
About any passenger amenity complain SMS on Mobile No. 09794845955
"DO NOT TRAVEL WITH INFLAMMABLE ARTICLE IN TRAIN"

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 U.P. Projects Corporation Ltd

Government of Jharkhand
Dr. Ram Dayal Munda Tribal Welfare Research Institute, Ranchi
Schedule Tribe, Schedule Caste, Minorities and OBC Welfare Department

Ref no. 1076	Ranchi. Dated 13.09.2019
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PR 216871 (Welfare) 19-20 (D) **बूढ़ - बूढ़ नहीं बरतेंगे तो बूढ़ को तरसेंगे** Director

Dr. Ram Dayal Munda Tribal Welfare Research Institute, Ranchi
Schedule Tribe, Schedule Caste, Minorities, and OBC Welfare Department

Ref no.1078 Ranchi, Dated 13.09.2019

NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY
E-TENDER NOTICE
 Sr. Divisional Electrical Engineer/
 General, North Western Railway,
 Bikaner for & on behalf of the President of
 India, invites E-tenders for the following
 work: 1. Complete details of tenders
 can be seen on Website No. <http://www.irops.gov.in> 2. Date & time
 of closing of e-tenders : 10.10.2019 at
 15:00 hours. 3. Date & time of opening
 of e-tenders : After 15.10.2019 hrs. 4.
 10.10.2019. **Tender Notice No.** : 10-
 10-Elect-BKN-E-Tender-19-20R. **Name of**
work : Electrical work in connection with
 provision of modular friendly toilets Gents
 & ladies and improvement to existing
 toilets on stations over Bikaner Division
 and electrical work in connection with
 replacement of signaling arrangement &
 up-gradation of interlocking at 4 stations
 viz Kalyankot, Sri Vijay Nagar, Ram
 Singhpur, Anupgarh in Sarapadma-
 Bikaner Section of Bikaner Division.
Approx. Cost of the work : ₹ 1466558/-
EMD/SD (Rupees) : ₹ 293000/- **Tender**
Notice No. : 14-Elect-BKN-E-Tender-19-
 20R. **Name of work :** Outsourcing of
 maintenance and cleaning of upper
 portion and Batteries of TL & AC
 coaches of Train No. 54701/02 (Abhojar
 Passenger), 14703/124671/12468/14704
 (LGH-JSM-JP) Jaisalmer Exp. at
 coaching depot Lalgah for the period of
 one year over Bikaner Division. **Approx.**
Cost of the work : ₹ 1763289.96
EMD/SD (Rupees) : ₹ 353000/- **Tender**
Notice No. : 15-Elect-BKN-E-Tender-19-
 20R. **Name of work :** Outsourcing of
 maintenance and cleaning of upper
 portion and Batteries of TL & AC coaches
 of Train No. 14707/08 BKN-BDTS
 Ranapur Exp. at coaching depot Bikaner
 for the period of one year over Bikaner
 Division. **Approx. Cost of the work :** ₹
 2575636.63. **EMD/SD (Rupees) :** ₹
 515500.00. **Tender Notice No.** : 16-Elect-
 BKN-E-Tender-19-20R. **Name of work :**
 Outsourcing of maintenance and cleaning
 of upper portion and Batteries of TL & AC
 coaches of Train No. 14712/ (SGNR-HW
 Exp.), 54767 (SGNR-TKJ Passenger),
 14715 (SGNR-SIKR Exp.) at coaching
 depot SGNR for the period of one year
 over Bikaner Division. **Approx. Cost of**
the work : ₹ 2386192.97. **EMD/SD**
(Rupees) : ₹ 477000.00. **Tender Notice**
No. : 22-Elect-BKN-E-Tender-19-20.
Name of work : Hiring of one number
 of MUV (multi utility vehicle) under SSE/
 Electrical Hanumangar depot for
 2 years for leading of man, material,
 and for day to day maintenance over
 Bikaner Division. **Approx. Cost**
of the work : ₹ 784536.00. **EMD/SD**
(Rupees) : ₹ 157000.00. **898-AD/19**

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION



It is publically informed that, one male dead body namely Unknown S/o Unknown, R/o Unknown, Age about 45 years, Height 5'7", Complexion Sallow, Wearing blue colour Shirt and Pant, was admitted in LNJP Hospital from the area of P.S. Kashmere Gate, during the treatment doctors declared him dead. In this regard a D.D. No. 07-A, Dated 08.09.2019 has been lodged at P.S. Kashmere Gate, Delhi.

Sincere efforts have been made by local police to identify the dead body but no clue has come to light so far. If any one having any information about this male dead body please inform undersigned.

SHO
P.S. Kashmere Gate, Delhi
Ph.: 011-23968730

DP/417/N/19

 **SBI**
Platform Engineering-II Department, State Bank Global IT Centre,
Sector-11, CBD Belapur, Navi Mumbai - 400 614.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

State Bank of India has issued a Request for Proposal (RFP No. SBI/ GITC/Platform Engineering-II/2019/2020/645 Dated: 12/09/2019) for "Procurement, implementation and monitoring support of Centralised Application Performance Monitoring Solution" for State Bank Group. Kindly see "**Procurement News**" at Bank's website www.sbi.co.in or <https://bank.sbi>

Place: Navi Mumbai
Date: 14.09.2019

Sd/-
Deputy General Manager
(PE-II)

**कार्यपालक अभियंता का कार्यालय
सिंघाई प्रमण्डल सं०-02, सिकटिया (देवघर)**

शुद्धि-पत्र

इस कार्यालय द्वारा आमंत्रित निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना संख्या- WRD/Sikatia-2/NIT-01/2016-17 दिनांक 07.09.19 जिसका **Pr.No. 216626 Water Resource(19)-02** द्वारा दिनांक 12.09.19 को विभिन्न सामाचार पत्रों में प्रकाशित किया गया था, जिसमें निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना संख्या- WRD/Sikatia-2/NIT-01/2016-17 के स्थान पर निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना संख्या- WRD/Sikatia-2/NIT-01/2019-20 एवं कार्य का नाम में दाहिने तरफ के स्थान पर बाये तरफ पढ़ा जाये, शेष सभी सूचनाएं पूर्ववत् रहेगी।

कार्यपालक अभियंता,
सिंघाई प्रमण्डल सं०-02
सिकटिया (देवघर)

नोट - नई नई बदलने को नोट को नोट
PR 216914 (Water Resource) 20-20

NORTHERN RAILWAY			
E-Tender Notice			
<p>Sr. DME acting for and on behalf of The President of India invites E-Tender against Tender No MC-9-OT-RU-RA-153-MB-19 Closing Date/Time 09.10.2019 15:00. Hrs. Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids upto closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tender, and any such manual offer received shall be ignored. Information regarding this tender is available on web site www.irps.gov.in on internet & can be seen/downloaded. The tenders/bidders will have to make payment towards tender document cost and Earnest Money against this tender through online payment modes like Net Banking, debit/Credit cards etc. available on IRPS portal. Manual/offline mode of payment through Demand Draft, Banker's cheque, Cash Deposit/ receipts etc. are not permitted.</p>			
Name of Work	Refurbishment and up-gradation of RA-153 of Moradabad Division.	Single Packet System	
Tender Type	Open	Bidding System	Single Packet System
Tender Closing Date & Time	09.10.2019 15:00 hrs	Date of Uploading Tender	Upto 16.09.2019
Pre-Bid Required	No	Pre-Bid Query Date/Time	Not Applicable
Advertised Value	Rs.8,28,082,70/-	Tendering Section	C and W
Bidding Style	Single Rate for Tender	Bidding Unit	% age Above/ Below/At par
Earnest Money (Rs.)	Rs. 16,600/-	Validity of Offer Days	45 Days
Tender Doc. Cost (Rs.)	2000/-	Period of Completion	15 Days
Bidding Start Date	25.09.2019	Are Joint Venture (JV) firms allowed to bid	No
No. MC-9-OT-RU-RA-153-MB-19 Date : 12.09.2019			2942/19
Serving Customers With A Smile			

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION



Unknown

General public is hereby informed that one unknown women name & address unknown, Age: 50 Yrs., Wheatish Complexion, Build Normal & Round Face. Wearing white & blue colour suit. Who was admitted by Sapna NGO due to illness to Safdarjung Hospital. She died on

24.08.2019.

In this regard DD No. 14A dated: 24.08.2019 has been lodged at P.S. Rajouri Garden, New Delhi.

Any person having any information or clue about this deceased may kindly inform the following.

S.H.O.,

P.S., Rajouri Garden, New Delhi

Ph.: 011-25453990, 25448885

DP/8409/WD/19

SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED



Rizwan

General Public is hereby informed that a person namely **Rizwan S/o Israfil, R/o H.No. 283, Gali No.8 Prem Nagar 2nd Kirari, Delhi** has been missing/ kidnapped since 25.08.2019 from the area of PS. Prem Nagar. In this regard a **DD No. 109-A dated 26.08.2019** has been lodged at PS, Prem Nagar, Delhi.

The description of Missing/kidnapped person is as under:

Website : http://cbi.nic.in

e-mail : cbc@cbl.gov.in

Fax : 011-24368639

Ph. : 011-24368638, 24368641

DP/3258/RD/19

SHO

P.S., Prem Nagar, Delhi

Ph : 011-25489080

SEARCH FOR MISSING



Kunti

General public is hereby informed that one female (depicted in the photo) namely **Kunti, W/o Sh. Satender Kumar, R/o H. No. 15/387, Kalyanpuri, Delhi**, has been missing since Dated 28.08.2019. In this regard a D.D. No. 96-A, Dated 30.08.2019 has been lodged at Police Station – Kalyanpuri, Delhi. Her physical description is as under:-

Age: 31 years, Complexion: Fair, Height: 5'0", Face: Long, Build: Thin, Clothing: Wearing Suit and Salwar.

Any person is having any information/Clue about this missing female, may inform undersigned.

Website: http://cbi.nic.in

e-mail: cbc@cbl.gov.in

Fax: 011-24368639

Ph.No.: 011-24368638, 24368641

DP/7012/ED/19

SHO

P.S. Kalyanpuri, Delhi

Ph.: 011-22772251, 22772287

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

General public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of male **Namely : Unknown S/O Unknown, R/o: Unknown, Age: 53 years, Height: 5' 8" Approx, Complexion: Wheatish, Wearing: Mehroom colour baniyan & grey colour under wear (Dicxy Scot), who was found in unconscious condition at Sidh Baba mandir, Peera Garhi, and admitted in SGM Hospital, Mangolpuri, Delhi. During the treatment he was dead. In this regard a case DD No. 80-A. dated 05.09.2019 has been registered at P.S. Paschim Vihar West, Delhi.**

Any person having any information or clue about the deceased may kindly inform to the undersigned on the following address or telephone nos.

Sd/- SHO

P.S. Paschim Vihar West, Delhi

Tel. No. 011- 25280979

DP/2679/OD/19



कार्यालय अधीक्षण अभियन्ता, निर्माण मण्डल, उत्तराखण्ड पेयजल संसाधन विकास एवं निगम लिमिटेड, नई दिल्ली
 टूरफ़ोन : 01376-233911, E-mail: satehrupayjal@gmail.com

ई-निविदा सूचना दिनांक 12.09.2019

कार्य का नाम :- निर्माण शाखा, उत्तराखण्ड पेयजल निगम, घनसाली के अन्तर्गत जलपद टिहरी के विकास क्षेत्र जाखणीधार में कोशियार प्रथियम पेयजल योजना के अन्तर्गत विवरण प्रणाली, एवं तत्सम्बन्धी निर्माण कार्य।

2. कार्यदायी संस्था :- निर्माण शाखा, उत्तराखण्ड पेयजल निगम, घनसाली।

3. अनुमानित लागत / कार्य पूर्ण करने की अवधि :- ₹ 126.00 लाख / 06 माह

4. निविदा प्राप्ति की अन्तिम तिथि :- दिनांक 30.09.2019 रमस 17.00 बजे अपरन्त

5. निविदा मूल्य :- ₹ 5000.00 + जीएएसटी 18%

6. धरोहर धनराशि :- ₹ 2.52 लाख

विस्तृत ई-निविदा नोटिस एवं निविदा प्रपत्र www.uktenders.gov.in पोर्टल पर दिनांक 14.09.2019 को 17.00 बजे प्रकाशित की जायेगी।

अधीक्षण अभियन्ता

"जल संवर्ध-जीवन संवर्ध" कृपा जल श्रोतों को प्रदूषित होने से बचाये।
 वैधानिक चेतावनी-जल श्रोतों को प्रदूषित करना दण्डनीय अपराध है।

NORTHERN RAILWAY

TENDER NOTICE(Through e-tendering)

Name of work with its location	Installation of CCTV cameras to monitor staff in frontline duties with emphasis on Booking and parcel offices.
App. Cost of the work (₹)	₹ 58,28,776.52/- only
Tender Document fee (₹)	₹ 5,900/- only
Earnest Money Deposit(₹)	₹ 1,16,600/- only
Address of the office	Senior Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer-I, Northern Railway, 3 rd Floor, Annex-1, DRM office, New Delhi-110055.
Date & Time for upload the tender / closing of tender	Tender uploading / closing date & time 09.10.2019 up to 15.00 hrs
Website particular & notice board location where complete details of the tender can be seen etc.	See the Northern Railway website www.ireps.gov.in & Notice board at S&T branch, 3 rd Floor DRM office, State Entry Road, New Delhi-110055.
Tender No. 558-Sig-16-Tele-OT-910 Dated: 12.09.2019	2934/19

SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE

GOVERNMENT OF CHHATTISGARH, WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, SHIVNATH CIRCLE, DURG (C.G.)

CORRIGENDUM NO. 1

System Tender No.55474 NIT No. 10/SAC/2019-20

Name of Work - Construction of Chiddo Anicut at Block Dongargarh of District Rajnandgaon.

Following Corrigendum is issued NIT No 10/SAC/2019-20 date 04.09.2019.

Description	Previous Published	Read as
I-Bid Due & time (The last date & time for submission of bid response, after which no bids can be submitted)	Date 22.09.2019 (Time 17.30)	Date 23.09.2019 (Time 17.30)

sd/-

Executive Engineer,

Water Resources Division, Rajnandgaon

For, Superintending Engineer,

Shivnath Circle, Durg (C.G.)

73200

GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU

HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT
Tirunelveli (Construction and Maintenance) Circle

TENDER NOTICE

Tender Notice No.9 /2019-20/D1/Dated.12.09.2019

For and on behalf of the Governor of Tamilnadu, **Percentage tender through online only** will be received upto **23.10.2019 At 15.00 hours** by the Superintending Engineer, (H), C&M, Tirunelveli Circle, for CRIPD 2019-20 Works, (Package No.44 & 45) pertaining **Nagercoil (H) (C&M) Division.**

Details of works, approximate value of works, EMD, availability of tender documents and all other details are available from **20.09.2019** onwards in the Government website <https://tntenders.gov.in>. If any Changes/Corrections in the tender, it will be published in the above Government website only.

Superintending Engineer(H), C&M, Tirunelveli Circle.

DIPR/3192/TENDER/2019

मुख्यालय
“गौरा देवी पर्यावरण भवन”
उत्तराखण्ड पर्यावरण संरक्षण एवं प्रदूषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड
 46वीं, आई०टी० पार्क, सहस्त्रधारा रोड, देहरादून
 web : www.ueppcb.uk.gov.in

पर्यावरणीय स्वीकृति हेतु लोक सुनवाई के लिये सूचना

M/s K.S. Minerals, Vill-Goraporara, Barielly Road, Haldwani, Distt-Nanital, द्वारा Vill-Bhardwari Gol Pokhari, Tehsil-Gangolihat, Distt-Pithoragarh, में Soap Stone Mining (Area-11.160Ha.) हेतु पर्यावरणीय स्वीकृति के लिये लोक सुनवाई का प्रस्ताव उत्तराखण्ड पर्यावरण संरक्षण एवं प्रदूषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड, देहरादून के समक्ष प्रस्तुत किया गया है। प्रस्ताव के लिये वन एवं पर्यावरण मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार के द्वारा Terms of Reference निर्धारित किये गये हैं, जिनके अन्तर्गत प्रस्तावक के द्वारा पर्यावरण प्रभाव मूल्यांकन रिपोर्ट एवं पर्यावरण प्रबंधन योजना आदि तैयार कर प्रस्तुत की गयी है। वन एवं पर्यावरण मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार द्वारा जारी ई.आई.ए. अधिसूचना 14.09.2006 के अनुसार उक्त प्रकार की परियोजनाओं के क्रियान्वयन से पूर्व लोक सुनवाई का प्राविधान है, जिस हेतु 30 दिनों का नोटिस समाचार पत्रों के माध्यम से जन साधारण के संज्ञानार्थ दिया जाना आवश्यक है। लोक सुनवाई हेतु "पैनल" की संरचना उक्त अधिसूचना के अनुरूप निम्नवत् है:-

1. जिलाधिकारी, जनपद, पिथौरागढ़ या उनके द्वारा नामित प्रतिनिधि जो अपर जिलाधिकारी स्तर से कम पद का न हो, लोक सुनवाई के अध्यक्ष।

2. उत्तराखण्ड पर्यावरण संरक्षण एवं प्रदूषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड के प्रतिनिधि।

परियोजना से सम्बन्धित जमा समस्त अभिलेख क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, पर्यावरण एवं वन मंत्रालय-देहरादून मुख्यालय, उत्तराखण्ड पर्यावरण संरक्षण एवं प्रदूषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड, देहरादून, क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, उत्तराखण्ड पर्यावरण संरक्षण एवं प्रदूषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड, हल्द्वानी, कार्यालय जिलाधिकारी, पिथौरागढ़, कार्यालय जिला पंचायत, पिथौरागढ़; जिला उद्योग केन्द्र, पिथौरागढ़ एवं कार्यालय नगर पालिका पिथौरागढ़ में उपलब्ध है जिनका कोई भी इच्छुक संस्था/व्यक्ति अवलोकन कर सकता है। पर्यावरण प्रभाव मूल्यांकन रिपोर्ट के सारांश की प्रति www.ueppcb.uk.gov.in पर भी उपलब्ध है।

M/s K.S. Minerals, Vill-Goraporara, Barielly Road, Haldwani, Distt-Nanital द्वारा Vill-Bhardwari Gol Pokhari, Tehsil-Gangolihat, Distt-Pithoragarh, में Soap Stone Mining (Area-11.160Ha.) हेतु प्रस्तावित लोक सुनवाई दिनांक 18.10.2019 को प्रातः 11:00 बजे से परियोजना स्थल पर निर्धारित की गयी है।

अतः सर्वसाधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि अपने-अपने क्षेत्र से सम्बन्धित परियोजना के प्रस्ताव के सम्बन्ध में अपने मौखिक, लिखित, सुझाव, टीका टिप्पणियों एवं आपत्तियाँ इस कार्यालय अथवा बोर्ड के क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, यू.ई.पी.सी.सी.बी., हल्द्वानी में इस सूचना से सम्बन्धित विज्ञापन प्रकाशन की तिथि से 30 दिनों के अन्दर प्रेषित कर सकते हैं अथवा लोक सुनवाई के समय भी प्रस्तुत कर सकते हैं।

सदस्य सचिव
 उत्तराखण्ड पर्यावरण संरक्षण एवं प्रदूषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड

INVITATION OF E-QUOTATION

Sealed E-quotations are invited for contract rate of “**Providing and Fixing Toughened Glass Door at the Entrance Lobby & SE Office Door in Sinchai Bhawan, Narnaul**”. The quotations will be received upto **03.00 P.M. on 24.09.2019** and the same shall be opened in the office of undersigned on **25.09.2019** at **03.00 P.M.** in presence of bidders who desire to be present. The sealed quotations for supply must be submitted along with Earnest Money in the form of DD/DAC in favour of Executive Engineer, M/Garh Canal Water Services Division, Narnaul. The earnest Money required @ 2% of the quotation amount or quoted price by the bidder whichever is higher.

NOTE: The rate quotation of items may be submitted either online in BOQ or may be submitted as Hard Copy of BOQ format in sealed envelope in the office of under-signed before the due date & time.

Sr. No.	Description of Items	Qty.
1.	12mm thick Toughened Glass Make-Saint Gobain/Asahi India/MICO Toughened. (1 main Door at G.F. and 1 Office Door at First Floor)	271 Sft.
2.	Hole (as per actual)	35 Nos.
3.	Cutout	12 Nos.
4.	Silicone	10 Nos.
5.	Hardware Machine (Door Closer Floor Mounted) Heavy Duty (Make- Ozon)	3 Nos.
6.	L-Connector 304 Grade	30 Nos.
7.	Big L 304 Grade	4 Nos.
8.	SS Handle (As per Satisfaction of Engineer-in-Charge)	3 Nos.

For further details visit website: <https://etenders.hry.nic.in>.

E-TENDERING

PRESS NOTICE

Executive Engineer, Civil Division No. IV, Irrigation & Flood Control Department Govt. of NCT of Delhi, L.M. Bund Office Complex, Shastri Nagar, Delhi-31 invites on behalf of President of India online Percentage rate tender from approved and eligible contractors registered with of Irrigation & Flood Control Department upto 3.00PM dated on 20.09.2019 for the works:

H.O.A.: 4406 FOREST

T. NIT No.98/EE/ CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_179907_1)

Name of work: - Providing and Fixing of RCC Post fencing with Medium Blade (RBT) around periphery of 6.6 hectare land at Shastri Park near Metro Station (DPTA), under North Forest Division. **Estimated Cost of Rs. 44,32,121/- Earnest Money Rs. 68,642/- period of completion 120 days**

H.O.A.: MALAD FUND UNDER DEPTT. OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT

2. NIT No.99/EE/ CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_179910_1)

Name of work: - Development of street pavement & side drains and culverts at Sadatpur Harijan Basti in Mustafabad Constituency (AC-69). **Estimated Cost of Rs. 53,38,329/- Earnest Money Rs. 1,06,767/- period of completion 90 days**

H.O.A.: VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT UNDER IDRVU

3. NIT No.100/EE/ CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_179915_1)

Name of work: - Covering of land floor & Renovation of Existing Chhapal No.1 at village Ghondli in Krishna Nagar Assembly. A.C.-60. **Estimated Cost of Rs. 49,73,956/- Earnest Money Rs. 99,599/- period of completion 180 days**

H.O.A.: MALAD FUND UNDER DEPTT. OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT

4. NIT No.101/EE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_179999_1)

Name of work: - Supply of Three seats Precast cement concrete benches type with hand rest in Babarpur Assembly Constituency. **Estimated Cost of Rs. 7,91,000/- Earnest Money Rs. 15,820/- period of completion 45 days**

Note:

1) The enlistment of the contractors should be valid on the last date of opening of tender. In case only the last date of opening of tender is extended, the enlistment of contractor should be valid on the original date of opening of tenders.

2) The following Scanned copies are required to be uploaded:- (i) Copy of GST Registration /upto date file returned proof (ii) Registration of enlistment in the appropriate class (iii) Scanned copy of EMD (iv) Scanned copy of ESI and EPF registration.(v) Copy of Pan Number. (vi) Valid Mobile Number, WhatsApp Number and E-mail ID.

3) EMD's in the form of DD/FDR in favour of EE, CD-IV may be submitted in the O/D of EE, CD-IV physically upto 10.00 PM in the date of opening tender. If the same shall not be deposited physically, the tender shall be treated as cancelled. The detail of above mentioned work can be seen and downloaded from website <http://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in>

4) No manual tender can be accepted, only tender submitted through e-procurement portal shall be considered.

Sd/-

EXECUTIVE ENGINEER

DIP/Shabdarth/0673/19-20

SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED GIRL



TANNU

General public is hereby informed that one girl namely **Tannu D/o Santosh Kumar R/o Gali No.-06, C-Block, Part-1, Mukundpur, Delhi. Age: 17 yrs., Height: 47", Shallow complexion, Normal Build & Round Face. Wearing School Dress (Green colour Shirt & White colour Pajami with white Chunni and Shoes in feet has been missing/kidnapped since 27.08.2019**

from the area of PS Bhalswa Dairy, Delhi. In this regard a **FIR No. 542/19 Dated: 29.08.2019 U/s 363 IPC** has been registered at **P.S. Bhalswa Dairy, Delhi.**

Any person having any information or clue about this missing/kidnapped girl may kindly inform to the following.

E-mail: cbc@cbl.gov.in

Fax: 011-24368639

Ph.: 011-24368638

011-24368641

DP/592/ON/19

S.H.O.,

P.S., Bhalswa Dairy, Delhi

Ph.: 011-27811933, 27811934

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

General public is hereby informed that a person namely **Shiv Nath S/o Radhe Shyam R/o Unknown**, about 28 years of age, was found near Delhi Gate and was admitted in Drowsy state in LNJP Hospital, Delhi, information in this regard has been received at PS Darya Ganj, Delhi vide GD No. 85A Dated 26.08.19. He died during treatment on 30.08.19. In this regard a report has been lodged vide **GD No: 32A, dated 30.08.19 at P.S. Darya Ganj, Delhi.** Sincere efforts have been made by the local police to identify the deceased person but no clue has come to light so far.

The description of the UIDB is as under:

Sex: Male, Age: 28 years, Height: 6', Complexion: Shallow, Face: Round, Build: Thin, ID Mark: Cut mark on both eyes, Wearing: White colour Shirt and Sky Blue colour Pant.

If anyone has any information about his relatives, kindly inform the SHO/ Darya Ganj, Delhi.

SHO

P.S. Darya Ganj, Delhi

DP/6568/CD/19



Shiv Nath

Ph.: 011-23279331, 23274683

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NORTH
Man beaten to death on suspicion of being child-lifter

Banda (UP): A 70-year-old man was beaten to death by a group of people on the suspicion that he was a child lifter at Pinhai Railway Station in Chitrakoot district, the police said on Friday. The deceased, who was wearing saffron robes, was mistaken for a child lifter on Wednesday and severely



Police use water cannons on protesters during a rally of the Left Front to the state secretariat demanding jobs, in Howrah on Friday. Partha Paul

EAST
BJP leader who was a former Maoist killed

Patna: A BJP leader was found murdered in the Ladaitand jungles on Friday, police said. The deceased, Dinesh Koda, was the party's Scheduled Caste Morcha district president. He was a Maoist who had come into the mainstream and joined the BJP about three years ago. A pamphlet was found near his

body claiming he was a "police informer", which, the district police denied promptly. Munger DIG, Manu Maharaj, said, "He was not working for any police organisation, nor was he an informer as is being claimed in the pamphlet. We are looking into various angles, including land disputes." **ENS**

WEST
HC dismisses Navlakha's petition for quashing FIR

Mumbai: The Bombay High Court on Friday dismissed a petition filed by activist Gautam Navlakha, seeking quashing of the FIR lodged against him by the Pune Police, in connection with the Elgaar Parishad-Bhima Koregaon violence. The court, while dismissing the petition, said that it was satisfied that the investigating agency

has material to connect the petitioner in the crime. It, however, granted protection from arrest to Navlakha for three weeks. The court also noted that the investigating agency needed to be given time to unearth evidence against the petitioner. On the request Navlakha's advocate, the bench stayed the order for three weeks. **ENS**

SOUTH
Tipplers guzzle liquor worth Rs 487 crore during Onam

Thiruvananthapuram: Tipplers in Kerala guzzled liquor worth a record Rs 487 crore sold through state-run outlets during the just concluded week-long "Onam" festivities. As per the figures of the Kerala State Beverages Corporation (KSBC), which retails Indian Made Foreign Liquor (IMFL), sale of liquor through its outlets net-

ted Rs 487 crore from September 3-10, an increase of Rs 30 crore compared to the previous year. On September 10, a day ahead of the harvest festival Onam when the outlets are shut, liquor worth Rs 90.32 crore was sold. An outlet in Thrissur district recorded the highest single day sale of Rs 1.04 crore. **PTI**

'Babri Masjid used for prayers by Muslims even after 1934 riots'

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THE SUNNI Central Waqf Board on Friday cited documents to contend that the Babri Masjid existed and was used for prayers by Muslims even after the 1934 communal riots, which damaged a part of it.

Interestingly, the Board, which has questioned the rationale of the belief in the disputed site in Ayodhya as being the birthplace of Ram, stated that the Kaaba in Saudi Arabia's Mecca was a place of "intrinsic divinity".

Senior advocate Zafaryab Jilani told a five-judge Constitution bench headed by Chief Justice of India Ranjan Gogoi that the site plan filed by the Nirmohi Akhara in a case in 1942 was proof that the mosque existed. "This is important to establish that in 1942, they admitted existence of mosque," he told the bench, also comprising Justices S A Bobde, D Y Chandrachud, Ashok Bhushan and S A Nazeer, which is hearing appeals against the September 20, 2010, verdict of the Allahabad High Court.

He drew the court's attention to records of the Public Works Department about inspection of works at the "Babri Mosque" following the 1934 clashes. Jilani also said the mosque had an Imam who led prayers and a Muezzin who recited Azaan. "From 1934 to 1949, Muslims used the place as a mosque. Otherwise there was no need for

Imam," he said, adding "no document has come on record showing that it was used as a temple during this period".

Senior advocate Rajeev Dhavan, also appearing for the Board and one of the appellants M Siddiq, opposed Ram's birthplace "Asthan Sri Rama Janma Bhumii" being a plaintiff in a 1989 suit in the case, saying it could not be considered a juristic person. He said that every sacril area cannot acquire the character of a juristic person, and the concept of a birthplace being treated as a juristic person was "invented in 1989" for the purpose of the suit.

Pointing out that texts like Skanda Purana were being relied on to prove the existence of 'janmasthan', he sought to know "what evidentiary value can be given to the proof of belief of Hindus that 'janmasthan' existed from time immemorial" for the purpose of treating it as a juristic person.

Intervening, Justice Chandrachud said "the sanctity of the belief has to be from the perspective of that religion" and that "unless its wholly extraneous... when a belief is held, it has to be accepted".

UP extends tenure of CBI judge

New Delhi: The UP government informed the Supreme Court that it had extended the tenure of CBI judge S K Yadav, who is hearing the Babri Masjid demolition case.

On July 19, a two-judge bench of Justices R F Nariman and Surya Kant while fixing a nine-month deadline for completion of trial and pronouncement of judgment in the case, in which prominent BJP lead-

ers L K Advani and M M Joshi are among the accused, had asked the state government to extend the tenure of the judge who was due for retirement this month. The court ordered that his tenure be extended till the judgment is delivered.

The direction came after the judge wrote to the court saying that he would need six more months to conclude the matter. **ENS**

Justice Bobde asked if there was any occasion before 1989 for anyone to assert that janmasthan was a juristic person.

"You are asking me to respond to an impossibility... If they did not assert from time immemorial to 1989, can they do it in 1989?" Dhavan replied.

"This is an evolving law," said Justice Bhushan.

Dhavan countered saying: "Everything you worship and say is deserving worship does not have a juristic personality."

Justice Bobde told him that according to an article he had given to the bench, "an object can be juristic person if it has certain rights or suffers certain liabilities".

"So the only thing we need to see is can the piece of land have certain rights or suffer certain liabilities", the judge added.

Dhavan said "that's not the test. If you have juristic personality, you have these rights and duties" and not vice versa.



PRESIDENT IN SWITZERLAND

President Ram Nath Kovind with Swiss Federal President Ueli Maurer in Bern, Switzerland on Friday. Kovind is on a three-nation tour of Iceland, Switzerland and Slovenia. He led delegation-level talks in Switzerland where the two sides discussed bilateral issues. They also signed and exchanged several agreements. The Swiss side also extended its support to strengthen the fight against terror in all its manifestations. Reuters

MHA-CBI BRIBE CASE

Middleman was held for bribery in 2013

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THE MIDDLEMAN involved in the attempt by a Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) official to bribe a CBI officer has turned out to be an old hand at influencing cases at the Central agency.

Dinesh Chand Gupta, who was arrested by CBI on Thursday along with MHA section officer Dheeraj Kumar Singh while attempting to bribe to a CBI officer

to influence an investigation, had been arrested in 2013 for allegedly brokering a deal between a private company and a CBI officer.

The officer in that case, Vivek Dutt, was investigating the Coal Blocks Allocation cases. Both Gupta and Dutt had been arrested by the agency while with Rs 7 lakh. On Thursday, Singh, a section officer with the Police 1 division of the MHA, was arrested for allegedly trying to bribe a CBI DIG. The division

looks after matters related to empanelment of IPS officers. Singh and Gupta were arrested while delivering a bribe of Rs 16 lakh.

According to sources, Singh was trying to influence the outcome of a preliminary inquiry in a case related to alleged irregularities in a project related to the National Highway Authority of India. "The probe is open and will also look at if anyone superior to Singh in the police 1 division was also involved," a CBI official said.

COP14

Declaration calls for land-based solutions for climate action

New Delhi: The world needs to consider land-based solutions for climate action and biodiversity to attain long-term goals of the Paris Agreement, the New Delhi Declaration of the COP 14, adopted by over 190 countries, said at the conclusion of the two-week conference on Friday.

The two-page declaration was released by participant countries at the 14th Conference of Parties (COP 14) to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD).

The two-week conference, in which India took over the presidency from China, saw Prime Minister Narendra Modi making a pitch for a world free of single-use plastic, and also enhanced India's voluntary commitment to save more land mass from degradation. In addition to the 190 participating members, more than 8,000 representatives, delegates, NGOs and others participated. **ENS**

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THE UNION Information and Broadcasting Ministry has sent a show cause notice to Viacom18, stating that a serial aired on Colors TV is "spreading distorted religious information".

The notice also said that the serial, *Ram Siya ke Luv Kush*, was "harming the image of Maharshi Valmiki" and "causing hurt" to religious sentiments of a community.

In its notice dated September 11, the ministry mentioned that "the community has also warned that if the telecast of the said serial showing distorted history, deliberately insulting Maharishi Valmiki is not stopped, then they will hold a series of countrywide intense demonstrations".

The notice also stated that "it has been further observed that in this serial Lord Ram has been shown to have visited Maharishi Valmiki Ashram and met Luv



The notice was issued on September 11.

and Kush which is not true". The notice added that Lord Ram "met Luv and Kush at the time of Ashwamedh Yagna when they captured their horse and had a war with Ayodhya".

The notice also stated that "these fictions hurt the religious sentiments of the Hindus and our children question as to whether what they read is correct or what they are watching now is correct".

The notice further said that

Delhi court rejects Chidambaram's plea to surrender

ANAND MOHAN J
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

A DELHI court has dismissed the surrender application of former Union minister and Congress leader P Chidambaram in the INX Media case.

The court maintained that if the investigating officer was not willing to arrest the applicant at this stage, his application to surrender cannot be entertained.

Special Judge Ajay Kumar Kuhar sent Chidambaram to 14 days' judicial custody in the INX Media case after it observed that "allegations against the accused were found serious" and the "CBI has apprehension that because of his status and position, the investigation may be hampered by the accused".

Chidambaram's counsel, senior advocate Kapil Sibal, moved an application, offering to surrender before the court in the ED case.

Dismissing the application, Special Judge Kuhar said, "However, in the present case, the applicant has not been arrested nor this court has taken cognizance of any offence or any complaint or chargesheet. Therefore, the applicant cannot be remanded to custody under section 167 Cr PC or under section 309 (2) Cr PC. Further, the appli-



P Chidambaram

cant had only moved an application to surrender, he was not taken into custody in this case. There is not even a notional surrender because the court has not taken applicant into custody in this case though he happens to be in custody in other case."

The ED had on Thursday told the court that the arrest of Chidambaram in the INX Media case was necessary and it will do so at the appropriate time.

Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, who appeared for the ED, opposed Chidambaram's application for surrender. The ED had told the court that Chidambaram was not in a position to tamper with evidence or influence witnesses as he was in judicial custody.

Sibal had submitted that Chidambaram had the right to surrender and claimed that the ED wanted to extend Chidambaram's custody to make him suffer.

Shivakumar's ED custody extended

ANAND MOHAN J
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

A DELHI court on Friday extended Congress leader DK Shivakumar's Enforcement Directorate custody till September 17.

The ED had arrested Shivakumar on September 3 in connection with a money laundering case registered by the agency last year following an investigation carried out by the Income Tax Department against him in 2017.

On Friday, the ED submitted before Special Judge Ajay Kumar Kuhar that Shivakumar, in criminal conspiracy with his associates, devised a well-planned scheme to divert tainted money through more than 317 bank accounts, which landed in either his or his family members' bank accounts, and the investments made by him were to the tune of Rs 800 crore.

The judge, in his order, wrote that even though police custody cannot be claimed and granted mechanically, it is also true that the investigating agency has to be given a chance for a free, fair and full investigation. "The pace of in-



Shivakumar was first taken into custody on September 3

vestigation cannot be truncated when some material document and record remains to be put to the accused. Therefore, the remand of accused to ED custody is extended till 17.9.2019," the judge wrote.

Earlier, Additional Solicitor General KM Nataraj, representing the ED, asked for five-day custody and submitted that Shivakumar was misusing his position as MLA, and that the fact was "corroborated with deposits of more than Rs 200 crore in three bank accounts, statements of which were received during interrogation".

The agency claimed that Shivakumar hasn't been able to explain the source of these deposits. The ED also submitted that Shivakumar's daughter Aishwarya was summoned and that a transaction of Rs 108 crore was made in her name.

UNNAO RAPE CASE

Recording of victim testimony ends

New Delhi: The process to record the Unnao rape victim's testimony at AIIMS trauma center concluded on Friday.

The victim was brought on a wheelchair, accompanied by her nursing attendant, and she finished her testimony by lunch. She was cross-examined by co-accused Shashi Singh's lawyer

and the cross-examination was later concluded by MLA Kuldeep Singh Sengar's counsel. A lawyer privy to the proceedings said "the victim was in a lot of pain during the proceedings but she managed to complete her testimony". On Monday, the proceedings in the murder and Arms Act case will commence. **ENS**

2 UP cops booked after video of assault on youth goes viral

ASAD REHMAN
LUCKNOW, SEPTEMBER 13

A POLICE outpost in-charge and a head constable of Siddharthnagar district were booked on Friday, a day after a video showing them assaulting a youth in front of his 5-year-old niece was widely circulated.

The youth, Priyanshu Pandey, said that his niece is traumatised and has been on medication since she witnessed the assault.

"My niece is not going to school and is traumatised. We had to take her to a doctor, and she has had fever and headaches since Tuesday, when the incident occurred. She is taking medicines," said Pandey (19) alias Rinku, who runs a mobile phone shop in Sakarpur area of Siddharthnagar district.

The incident took place under Khesraha police station limits on Tuesday. In the two-minute video, S-I Virendra Mishra is seen locking Pandey's

neck with his legs while Head Constable Mahendra Parasad keeps kicking him in the back. Pandey's niece is seen mumbly while he tells her to sit on the motorcycle and he will leave with her. To this, one of the policemen says, "How will you go?"

On Friday, Mishra and Parasad were booked under IPC Sections 323 (voluntarily causing hurt), 504 (intentional insult with intent to provoke breach of the peace) and 166 (public servant disobeying law, with intent to cause injury to any person).

Siddharthnagar SP Dharam Veer Singh said a case was lodged against the two policemen after they were suspended on Thursday.

"We lodged the FIR on a complaint submitted by Priyanshu Pandey. A departmental inquiry is being conducted by Additional SP Maya Ram Verma," said Singh.

Contacted by *The Indian Express*, Verma said the video clearly shows that the two policemen behaved in an "unac-

ceptable manner".

"Further inquiry is ongoing," said Verma.

Speaking about the incident, Pandey said some people were abusing him on Tuesday.

"One of them called the police and complained about me. Then the police came and assaulted me brutally," he said.

SP Singh said the police got a call from one Riazuddin about a row between Pandey and one Akhtar.

"Because it was Moharram, the two officers rushed to the spot. Locals told us Pandey was drunk. What the officers did was absolutely wrong, hence action has been taken against them," said the SP.

"We had first sent the two accused policemen to the police lines. After an inquiry, we had suspended them for their unacceptable behaviour," the SP added.

A medical examination of Pandey was conducted on Friday and it was found that he suffered no serious injuries.





THOU SHALT NOT

Courts have expanded contours of free speech but their curious gag orders in J&K are shrinking it

IN AN ORDER released on Thursday, Jammu and Kashmir High Court has allowed two National Conference MPs to meet party leaders Farooq Abdullah, under house arrest, and Omar Abdullah, detained at Hari Niwas, in Srinagar, but barred them from speaking to the press about the meeting. This statement of fact carries within it a grave predicament, a slippery slope. The communication lockdown and detention of political leaders and an unknown number of others in and outside Kashmir since August 5, after the Centre abrogated Article 370, goes on. And the court, which is the custodian of the citizen's rights and freedoms and the centrepiece of the constitutional mosaic of checks and balances on executive power, seems not to be playing its part. Why must MPs who want to meet their leaders in Srinagar need the court's permission to do so? Why is the court playing the role of the giver of such permissions in individual cases, even as it drags its feet on pronouncing on the legality or validity of the detentions themselves? Under which law or power can the court impose a virtual gag order on these MPs — they can meet but cannot tell? If there is a danger of a breach of peace because of what the MPs might say, which has certainly not been proved, it can, surely, be addressed by existing law. A few days ago, a CJ-led bench of the Supreme Court, on a habeas corpus plea of CPM general secretary, Sitaram Yechury, had allowed him to visit his ailing party colleague and 4-time MLA, Mohammad Yousuf Tarigami, after hedging the permission similarly. Yechury was directed to meet Tarigami but to do only that — he was to talk to no one else and file an affidavit to the court about what transpired in Kashmir. In another case, notably, it was the Supreme Court which had come down hard on prior restraint and expanded the contours of free speech and expression.

There are serious questions about the court's conduct ever since the Centre moved to abrogate Article 370 and impose restrictions and curbs on the people in Kashmir over a month ago. The government has made its case — it has claimed that the detentions and lockdown are preventive in nature, for the people's own safety and good. But that claim is being challenged not just by its political opponents but also by other concerned citizens. In a constitutional system, the court is the appropriate forum for those questions to be asked, for executive action to be interrogated, and adjudicated. But if the court appears to be not only shirking the fundamental question, but also reinforcing that executive action with gag orders of its own, there is reason to worry.

These are critical times, when a government elected with an overwhelming majority is taking consequential steps and all unelected institutions are called upon to define their remit and role. In times like these, what the judiciary does, and what it doesn't do, is critical. The Supreme Court has posted the matter arising from Yechury's plea challenging Tarigami's detention for further hearing on September 16. It will be watched.

A PACKAGE FOR BSNL

Government needs to do a cost-benefit analysis, ask itself the tough questions about propping up loss-making enterprises

UNION MINISTER ARJUN Ram Meghwal has announced that the government is planning a financial package for cash-strapped BSNL. But it is unlikely that a cash infusion, or any other manner of assistance, can facilitate a sustainable turnaround in the fortunes of the beleaguered telco. Coming at a time when its own revenues are under pressure, the government must undertake a careful cost-benefit analysis to examine whether the money it spends to prop up these loss-making firms is better spent in areas with more pressing needs.

BSNL blames the fierce price war, as well as the lack of 4G spectrum, for its dire financial situation. But there is more to the story. Its expenditure on salaries — it has around 1.8 lakh employees — touched 75 per cent of revenues in 2018-19. For private telcos, it is a fraction of this amount. Stringent procurement guidelines have led to delays in purchasing equipment, hampering operations. Losses have surged, rising to Rs 14,202 crore in 2018-19. And though the non-availability of spectrum may have hurt its operations, revenue from data increasingly accounts for a greater share of total revenue, even if BSNL is allocated the 4G spectrum it desires, it will still need additional funds to ensure a smooth roll-out of services. The telco hopes to monetise assets such as land. It also expects to cut costs by cajoling 60,000 to 70,000 employees to opt for a voluntary retirement scheme. Even if a significant portion of its work force opts for VRS, however, it will still have over 1 lakh employees. While part of the funds from asset monetisation can be used to finance the VRS package, it is debatable whether the balance will be enough to fund its 4G operations. In a hyper competitive sector, where incumbents are bleeding, it is questionable whether BSNL has the continued ability to pump in money to challenge other telcos.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has often underlined that government has no business being in business. Yet his government has still not framed a concrete strategy to shut down loss-making enterprises. The cost of keeping these firms alive is increasing, and it comes at the expense of investment in other sectors such as infrastructure, health and education.

DARK KNIGHT

In this moment, as in others, Geoffrey Boycott is at the centre of the storm

SIR GEOFFREY BOYCOTT. Even before he was conferred the knighthood this week, amid swirling controversy, it was easy to imagine 'sir' prefixed to his name. For, the legendary batsman-turned-commentator has always walked with a knightly strut — convinced in his convictions, narcissistic in his opinions, brutal in critiquing, generous in praising, inviting adulation and scorn in equal measure, an extremist who has never walked the middle path. Like his contemporary and Lancashire rival David Lloyd once remarked, "Either he loves you, or hates you. Nothing in between. No half measures." That's how his countrymen and the cricket fraternity see him too.

Ever the divisive figure — from the spring of his playing days to the autumnal retired life — he has never shirked controversies. Like the latest that pertains to his knighthood. Some reckon the recognition arrived nearly three decades late. An obdurate batsman with otherworldly limits of patience and courage, who famously came out of retirement at the age of 40 and showed his younger peers how to score runs against Dennis Lillee and Co, he undisputedly belongs to England's batting royalty. His commentary was vivid and full of life, even if his prejudices and self-absorption often surfaced. The Yorkshire twang was endearing, and some of his unique pronunciations linger on, like "Sosheen Tendulkar" or "Prince of Kolkutta". Or his "shtick of rhubarb", "wielded by his granny".

His sporting achievements make him a deserving knighthood candidate. But some of his avidly-catalogued off-field conduct less so. Boycott was fined £5,000 and given a three-month suspended sentence in 1998 after being convicted of beating his then-girlfriend in a hotel in France. Typically, Boycott shrugs off the outrage and protests at his knighthood: "I don't give a toss about it. In this moment, as in all others, Boycott is at the centre of the storm."



HARSH MANDER

FREEDOM IS INDIVISIBLE. "The chains on any one of my people," Nelson Mandela reminded us, "were the chains on all of them, the chains on all of my people were the chains on me."

There are many things that trouble me about India today. One is our ever-mounting tolerance of the open and profound injustice done to "other people". A boy stabbed to death on a train does not trouble me because he is Muslim; a young girl brutally gang-raped does not stir my outrage because she is Dalit; an entire people locked down for over a month deserve it because they do not accept India to be their country; and nearly two million people excluded as citizens in Assam do not trouble me because they are "infiltrators" (even if they were born in and love this nation).

India's criminal justice system has always been biased against disadvantaged castes, women and Muslims. Few people who organised and participated in caste and communal massacres and rapes have ever been punished. But in recent years, this official bias has become more open, brazen and unapologetic. A Muslim charged with terror crimes can spend 14, even 23, years in jail, before he steps out, innocent. A Hindu charged with terror is likely to soon walk free, and might even be elected to Parliament. Criminal cases after the 2013 Muzaffarnagar riots collapse wholesale with barely a whimper of protest.

This open bias of the criminal justice system is most visible in mob lynching. Lynch mobs, who in most cases record their own crimes triumphantly on mobile phone cameras, roam as heroes. The victim, even after he dies, is tainted as a criminal. The most recent example of this is the decision of the Jharkhand police to write down the crime of the lynch mob that attacked Tabrez Ansari from murder to culpable homicide.

Orphaned as a boy, raised by his uncles, as a young teenager, Ansari migrated to Pune to build his life on his own. At 22, now an accomplished welder, he returned home to find a bride. His uncles married him off to a very impoverished Shaista. Her father, an al-

Why the outcome of the lynching case must concern us all

coholic, accepted Ansari because he sought no dowry. The two young people were to leave for Pune the morning after his lynching to start their new life; their train tickets were booked. But that was not to be. I feel a personal sense of grief and loss at his killing, especially following our visit of the Karwan e Mohabbat to his home.

Ansari was returning that night after seeking his aunt's blessings. A mob caught him, tied him to a pole, thrashed him savagely for six hours, and forced him to recite "Jai Shri Ram".

People phoned the police several times to rescue the boy, but they did not arrive until morning. They did not register a complaint against the lynch mob until after he died four days later. But they promptly registered criminal charges of robbery against Ansari. The police took him to a local health centre. Although his skull was cracked, and bones broken, the doctors handed him back to the police after cursory first aid. Police detained him in their lock-up. His family pleaded that they be allowed to take him to a hospital, promising to return him to the police after he was better, but they refused. The family secretly took a picture of him in the lock-up. He was clearly wounded critically. The police then presented him to a judge, who should have ordered his medical treatment. Instead, he sent Ansari to jail. The jail authorities should have insisted that he be sent to a competent hospital. They did not. The family saw him once through a screen in jail, as he moaned in agony, begging them to get him to a hospital. Four days after the lynching, Ansari died.

The grounds the police stated for watering down the charge of murder to culpable homicide was that it was "not a case of pre-meditated murder"; and that the second medical report concludes that Ansari died of cardiac arrest, not just a head injury. This ignores an earlier inquiry by senior officials of the Jharkhand government, which concluded that Ansari died due to the negligence of police officials and grave lapses by doctors.

There was no robbery in the village. The police charge-sheet tried to justify the mob crime by charging Ansari with the "intention" of stealing. They ignored evidence on video of this being a religious hate crime. Ansari's uncle, who went to the lynching site in the morning, records in his statement that he heard a member of the mob shout, "Beat him so much that he dies".

There was only one post-mortem. The second report stating that he died due to cardiac failure (signed by five doctors, none of who were trained in forensics), was based only on the first post-mortem report. The immediate cause of death after violence indeed could be heart-failure, but this opinion deliberately obscures the circumstances which led to organ failure. I spoke to J Amalorpavanathan, retired head of vascular surgery, Madras Medical College. He said the human skull bone is incredibly sturdy. Cracking it requires application of great force. "It is very clear", he said, based on the post-mortem report, "that this young person, who was otherwise healthy and normal, was beaten so severely that he cracked his skull and bled inside his brain. This resulted in his death. In short, he was beaten to death."

What does this add up to? That a mob attacked an unarmed young man murderously in a religious hate crime. The police, judge, doctors and jail officials all abetted his murder with shameful, wilful neglect.

Why is it possible for state authorities to act in this way, over and over again? Because the rest of us don't care. This happened to a working-class Muslim orphan. How does it concern me?

We forget Martin Luther King's iridescent words from Birmingham jail, "Injustice anywhere," he declared, "is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny".

My destiny is tied to that of Tabrez and Shaista Ansari. Until they are assured justice, I will never be free.

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A QUESTION OF QUALITY

Standard of Pakistan's manpower is linked to the country's education model



KHALED AHMED

ON 3 SEPTEMBER, the Lahore School of Economics (LSE) held a symposium on behavioural economics at The Pearl Intercontinental Hotel, discussing how the quality of Pakistan's manpower has affected the country's economy and its management. Expressly discussed was the inability of the state to collect taxes and the stubborn unwillingness of the citizens to file tax returns.

Pakistan has a population of 197 million, of which only 1.7 million pay income tax; India with a population of 1.3 billion has 70 million tax-filers. Pakistan's economy has suffered frequent breakdowns and has had to submit 22 times to the diktat of the IMF. Fadi Makki of Lebanon, who heads Nudge — a collective that tries to "apply behavioural insights to the policy challenges that Lebanon faces" — referred to a Scandinavian state where people had responded to such "nudges". But the Scandinavian example may not sit well with a case-hardened Pakistan. Clearly, what was missing was the Scandinavian bureaucrat whom the citizen took on trust.

Ijaz Nabi, an ex-World Bank economist and country director of Pakistan's International Growth Centre, laid out some of the "cultural" factors which made people opt out of the system. He acknowledged that wealthy Pakistanis did record charity — all of it religion-based — instead of coming inside the tax-net. But, the conduct of the taxmen inside the Federal Bureau of Revenue (FBR)

tended to negate the insights offered earlier.

The taxman blindly sends out audit ultimatum, then "settles" with the shopkeepers "out of court". The shopkeeper, who usually wins his court decree, actually decides to bribe the taxman to avoid the court fee and the expense of defence. Lesson: If you have to choose between the magistrate and the taxman, choose the latter. Now you have two institutions to "nudge": The taxman and the court.

One can also reduce the above behaviour study to the "quality of manpower" in Pakistan. We vaguely know that our expat community is less privileged than its Indian counterpart because of a difference in "quality": Pakistan began by being close to the United States, but today the academia in the US is dominated by brilliant Indian scholars, while Pakistani Americans struggle to insulate their identity against the values of the host country. Today, Indians in the US outnumber all immigrants, except the Hispanics. The "quality of manpower" question comes to the fore again when you see the pattern of employment of Indians and Pakistanis in the Gulf, from where the two countries receive most of their remittances. The Muslims had a 'quality' problem even under British Raj because the Hindu community, in contrast to Muslims, was heavily engaged in commerce — therefore, it was handling worldly knowledge contained in math and the sciences.

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1947, for instance, almost all the trading activity was conducted by Hindus and Sikhs; and math teachers were mostly Hindus.

Sir Syed Ahmad Khan, in his essays, also bemoaned the "poor quality" of the Muslim citizen and recommended that Muslims get "worldly" education instead of sending their children to madrasas. He finally set up Aligarh University and kept insisting that Muslims abandon their madrasa-only education. Today, he is no longer in the pantheon of the Pakistan Movement for this "deviation"; as also for his acceptance of bank-interest — forbidden by Islam, and a major reason behind the Muslims of India abstaining from commerce.

William Leitner, who founded the famous Government College Lahore in 1864, had written his big volume on the madrasas of Punjab but wanted Muslims to acquire worldly knowledge on the basis of "autonomous" observation — as promoted by European Enlightenment, in particular by Immanuel Kant, whose motto, *Sapere Aude* (Courage to Know), he adopted secretly to avoid Muslim wrath. He got Muhammad Husain Azad, the great writer of the new "functional" Urdu prose style, to teach "Ulum-e-Mufeeda" (useful knowledge). But today, in Pakistan, only the madrasas are functional; most state-sector schools are dysfunctional.

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SEPTEMBER 14, 1979, FORTY YEARS AGO

IOC STRIKE CONTINUES WITH THE STRIKE by the Indian Oil Corporation workers entering the second day, the distribution of petroleum products was disrupted in most parts of the country. The situation aggravated with IOC employees from Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat and Goa joining the countrywide strike. Several rounds of discussions between the petroleum minister, Bala Pajanor, and leaders of the striking workers proved abortive. A petroleum ministry spokesman told newsmen the supply position of petroleum was already bad. He said the Centre had alerted state governments to invoke the Essential Services Act to deal with the strik-

ing workers.

CONGRESS SYMBOL

THE CONGRESS LEADERSHIP today bowed to the sentiments of the rank and file by making the issue of going to the mid-term poll in association with the party allies under a common symbol negotiable with the partners, so that it could be implemented wherever "feasible." Y B Chavan, who replied briefly to the debate on the political resolution at the AICC session, accepted an amendment to the resolution to this effect. The amendment sought to add the word "if feasible" to that part of the resolution which opted for a common symbol.

INDIRA'S WARNING

THE CONGRESS-I PRESIDENT, Indira Gandhi, warned the government and others who were trying to downgrade her that anything they did to her would "rebound against them". Mrs Gandhi asked her partymen to ignore the tirade against her. She said that she had not engaged in counter-tirade. Referring to the other Congress, Mrs Gandhi said the Congress-O committed suicide when it merged with the Janata Party. The same thing was happening to the Congress (S). She felt sorry that Jagjivan Ram was allowing himself to be used as a shield by the Janata Party. Without him, there was nothing in the Janata Party, she said.



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WHAT THE OTHERS SAY

No matter who advises this president (Donald Trump), chaos will reign. —NEW YORK TIMES

Why sedition law has lost meaning

Various Indian courts have repeatedly ruled against the constitutionality of this British-era legislation



PRASANNA S

IN A RECENT lecture, Justice Deepak Gupta, a sitting judge of the Supreme Court, noted how the provision in the Indian Penal Code providing for punishment for seditious speech is misused often than not. Justice Gupta wondered whether the time is ripe to have a relook at the law.

Article 19(1)(a) of the Constitution guarantees freedom of speech and expression, subject only to Article 19(2) which saves any law that imposes “reasonable restrictions” on the limited grounds of interests of the sovereignty and integrity of India, the security of the state, friendly relations with foreign states, public order, decency or morality or in relation to contempt of court, defamation etc.

Section 124A of the IPC defines sedition and makes every speech or expression that “brings or attempts to bring into hatred or contempt, or excites or attempts to excite disaffection towards the Government established by law in India” a criminal offence punishable with a maximum sentence of life imprisonment. It is classified as “cognisable” — the investigation process (including the powers to arrest) can be triggered merely by filing an FIR, without a judicial authority having to take cognisance — and “non-bailable” — the accused cannot get bail as a matter of right, but is subject to the discretion of the sessions judge.

The illiberal sting in Section 124A is somewhat taken away by an explanation to the provision that clarifies that mere “disapprobation of the administrative or other action of the Government without exciting or attempting to excite hatred, contempt or disaffection, do not constitute an offence under this section,” and a long line of judicial decisions, including the five-judge constitutional bench decision of the Supreme Court in *Kedamath v. State of Bihar* (1962). The apex court in *Kedamath* read down Section 124A to mean that only those expressions that either intend to or have the tendency of causing violence are punishable under Section 124A. The Court reiterated the *Kedamath* law in 2016 in *Common Cause v. Union of India*, directing all authorities to scrupulously follow the *Kedamath* dictum. The SC has, however, not had a chance to reopen the issue of constitutionality of Section 124A since 1962.

The court in *Kedamath* (1962) did not have the benefit of the jurisprudence of fundamental rights that was established by the 11-judge bench decision in *R C Cooper v. Union of India* (1969) and later, reaffirmed in *Indira Gandhi v. Raj Narain* (1975), *Maneka Gandhi v. Union of India* (1978), *I.R. Coelho v. State of Tamil Nadu* (2007) and, more recently in *Puttaswamy v. Union of India* (2017). Each of these decisions now establish that fundamental rights in the Constitution are not to be read as isolated silos or as water-tight compartments, but are to be read as if the content of each fundamental right animates the other. They tell us that the entire chapter on fundamen-

tal rights has also to be read “synoptically” (see *Indira Gandhi & I R Coelho*). The court in *Kedamath* merely tested the intent of the provision whether being covered under the exceptions to the freedom of speech under Article 19(2) of the Constitution; it did not, for instance, take into consideration the effect of the right to equality (Article 14) or due process (Article 21).

The conjoint reading of Articles 14, 19 and 21 (from *Maneka Gandhi*), has now evolved the jurisprudence of testing legislation curtailing fundamental rights on the anvil of substantive and procedural reasonableness, necessity and proportionality. The requirement of “necessity” in part comes from India having ratified in the International Covenant of Civil and Political Rights in 1976, which in its Article 19 requires speech-limiting state action to be backed by a law and to be necessary on the grounds of respect for rights and reputations of others, national security etc. Even otherwise, the court in 1962 was not, and could not, have been alive to the consideration of international law and international conventions in interpreting India’s fundamental rights — a practice established only since *Jolly Varghese v. Bank of Cochin* (1980).

All these developments have now led to us understanding “necessity” in the context of state action limiting fundamental freedoms as the burden being on the state to establish that such a limiting measure is “necessary in a democratic society” (*Modern Dental College v. State of Madhya Pradesh*, 2016). A rough idea of “proportionality” has informed the understanding of “reasonableness” of restrictions in Article 19 since *Chintaman Rao v. State of M.P.* (1951). However, the understanding of necessity and proportionality under the Constitution to mean the burden being on the state to show that the rights-limiting measure to be the least restrictive of all available alternatives is of recent vintage (2J in *Union of India v. Ganayutham*, 1997 and more recently, *Modern Dental*, 2016).

The *Kedamath* court in 1962 also did not examine the provision for “chilling effect” on speech it causes — that is, probability of state action causing psychological barriers in the free exercise of the right to free speech. The doctrine of chilling effect gets established even in the US only in 1967, starting with Justice Brennan’s dissenting opinion in *Walker v. Birmingham*. Indian judgments didn’t use that expression until late 1980s.

The court in *Kedamath* also could not have examined Section 124A shedding the presumption as to its constitutionality. It is only as recently as in 2018 (*Navtej Johar v. Union of India*), that the court found that pre-constitutional legislations have no legal presumption of constitutionality. Incidentally, that was the case in which the court re-examined the constitutionality of Section 377 of the Indian Penal Code, which, among other things, criminalised consensual same-sex acts, despite an earlier judgment having examined and upheld the provision.

If there is a challenge to the provision today, the court will have to keep in mind all of these developments! The court may also need to examine the classification of the offence of sedition as cognisable and non-bailable and whether that aggravates the chilling effect.

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C R Sasikumar

Missing the worm’s eye view

A debate on what ails the economy should acknowledge the problems of India Inc, and the ‘shoot first think later’ policy-speak



RAMA BIJAPURKAR

DEBATING SOLUTIONS WITHOUT acknowledging the problem isn’t always helpful, nor is a bird’s eye view macro analysis of the economy without a worm’s eye view from the trenches of business. People say “5 per cent is 5 per cent and there’s nothing to debate about it,” but indeed there is.

There are two problem elephants in the room that should be acknowledged if we are to have an honest debate on what ails the economy and the ways to fix it. The elephants are the debilitating pain and weakness that large parts of India Inc are suffering from and the “shoot first think later” policy changes and policy-speak from the government.

India Inc is promoter-driven and much of it is promoter (or shareholder) managed, and there is little separation between ownership and management. For the first time, promoters are under siege. Many big boys have lost — or are about to lose — their companies these past few years. Google it, the “who’s who” list will boggle one’s mind, and this is happening in “jaante nahin main kaun hoon” India. Troubled companies have troubled revenue growth, so we need to read India Inc’s revenue growth numbers alongside the “revenue (growth) at risk” — combined turnovers of companies in NCLT proceedings or being threatened by them. Harsh and persistent measures, being pushed by the regulator for the system to go after the large NPA base of Rs 10 lakh crores, cannot be without the collateral damage to corporate sentiment, leave alone animal spirits. Banks are also asking companies to de-leverage, given the banking regulator’s toughness on defining and disclosing NPAs. Thinking about future invest-

ment in this atmosphere is tough. So let’s not blame weak investment on the stubborn consumer, rather it’s the other way around of stubbornly-low investment creating a weakened-income consumer.

At the same time, SEBI hasn’t been playing nice either. Promoter-active (in management) listed companies dominate in India. SEBI activism about independent directors was benign compared to the new and proposed guidelines tightening the noose on disclosures of all kinds and disrupting a variety of time-honoured practices. For example, in 2020, it will not be possible for dad or uncle to be the non-executive chairman of the company while the son or nephew finds his feet as CEO or MD. The atmosphere is, dare we say, demotivating to many and seen as needless fixing of what ain’t broke. Boosting consumption for Diwali isn’t going to remove the fundamental pain.

The courts are being simultaneous spoilers too. Ask the real estate sector — rules, unchallenged for decades, of builder on top, are being disrupted and there are penalties for not adhering to promises. No surprises that real estate developers, used to growing via half-baked plans funded by customers money and easy loans, are not announcing new projects. And, being asked to pay back definitely dampens their animal spirits.

What choices do we have? Grit our teeth and go through the clean-up with all its collateral damage or hold the view that double digit GDP growth has many benefits and even if becoming cleaner is not one of them, why bother, who cares. This is a set of “rock and hard place” choices that is not being debated at all. Why not? A debate may throw up pragmatic prescriptions of cleaning up in a calibrated fashion, defining a glide path over five years.

This debate is not for the macro economists and stock market analysts alone. It is also about the values we want as a society (the question whose India and whose society should also be addressed). The war on black money has added to our GDP woes. The black and white economy have always been joined at the hip and no one will dis-

This debate is not for the macro economists and stock market analysts alone. It is also about the values we want as a society (question of whose India and whose society should also be addressed). The war on black money has added to our GDP woes. The black and white economy have always been joined at the hip and no one will dispute that — if the bad part is growing slower (perish the hope, it isn’t declining), it is dragging down the good part also; blended profit margins in many cases do not look as attractive as they did earlier.



SWAMI AGNIVESH

A brave body, a probing mind

Fit India should also mean the courage to ask tough questions

PRIME MINISTER NARENDRA Modi is something of an enigma. He radiates energy. He is decisive. He is an expert in springing surprises. He does not dodge the non-stereotypical. Yet, there is every chance — going by what we have seen so far — that he may end up like all else before him. This prospect may not occur to the vast army of admirers and time-servers that surround him. But it is real all the same.

No other prime minister could think of Clean India campaign. And no other PM has dreamt up Fit India like Modi has done. Typical of him, he did not forget to connect, in his eloquent inaugural speech on the subject, fitness with valour (shaurya) of the martial kind. A person in high office needs to be understood not only by what he advocates, but also by what he holds back. That is precisely what is not being done in connection with Modi. There is a genuine fear that such a thing could sound heretical. Yet, there are times when heresy becomes more vital for truth than orthodoxy. The world has progressed more through heretics than through blind believers and sycophants.

Modi did speak of physical and martial bravery, which has its place in the life of a nation. He did not, however, speak about moral bravery, which is even more quintessentially human than the courage to wield the sword or exterminate enemies. Bravery of this sort has universally been held as the essence of the in-

telligentsia. Mere intelligence, even an astronomical amount of it, will not make a person or group of persons belong to the intelligentsia. The hallmark of the intelligentsia is moral courage. A country is better served by the intelligentsia of this kind than by the most advanced and well-trained army possible. The army may guard a country against external aggression, but it is irrelevant to the character and creative greatness of a people. This is not to argue that cowardice is a blessing. But we need to insist that bravery is a far wider concept, and that, if taken only in part, it could get distorted and prove counterproductive.

How can we create Fit India, the PM needs to ask, if we do not pay at least equal attention to developing an intellectual culture? Medical sciences aver that physical fitness is incomplete without mental and intellectual fitness. Mental unfitness is the main cause for tragic health conditions. We are familiar with the pathological conditions that come into being due to mental stress and intellectual trauma. We also know that lack of proper intellectual and imaginative development is the main reason why a society sinks into crime and corruption.

In the 1960s, Lyndon Baines Johnson, the 36th president of the USA, set for himself the task of re-inventing America as a “great society”. He meant well. But he was mistaken about what it involved. Greatness is an attribute of the human spirit, not of the phys-

ical, material dimensions of acquisitions and achievements. It did not take long for President Johnson’s dream to degenerate into the nightmare of a crime-ridden society, the convulsions of which continue to be felt in the mass shootings that are becoming frequent in that country. In its foreign policy, America continues with its muscle-flexing — even after the Vietnam fiasco and the Middle East tragedy.

For Modi to speak with clarity and consistency on Fit India in a holistic sense, he needs to clarify for himself his stand on freedom of thought and expression. Not even a high school student can miss the blatant contradiction between the fanfare about Fit India and the growing milieu of intolerance towards intellectual freedom and liberty of conscience. You cannot criminalise intellectuals as Urban Naxals or surround outstanding academics like Romila Thappar with the miasma of hostility and move an inch towards creating Fit India, unless fitness is assumed to be relevant to only the body. The monstrous mixture of a brave body and a cowardly mind is unlikely to be an asset to the New India that Modi believes he is destined to erect.

Underlying much of Modi’s advocacies is the assumption that human beings are mere bodies. This view entertains the naïve idea that human beings can be made to be brave or cowardly at will, depending on what is ex-

pedient to the state. Intellectual brilliance, for instance, is laudable if it limits itself to landing a module on the moon, or to devising ways and means for pushing the GDP higher without hurting the interests of the corporates and the socio-economic elite. But intellectual vigour as a means for enriching national character or as a catalyst in strengthening national character is un-welcome and anti-national. This is indefensible.

If courage or bravery is a value, we should be willing to welcome it in all its manifestations — physical, mental and spiritual. It is the spiritual dimension of courage that is most under-valued today. Spiritual courage involves the duty to speak truth to power and to resist agents and structures of injustice. It would raise, for example, the obvious and pressing questions: “Are the people of Kashmir too included in this vision for Fit India? If so, why are they kept in a state of seemingly interminable all-round disability?”

The willingness to ask such inconvenient questions — no less than organising public drills to boost physical fitness — should be deemed fundamental to creating Fit India. Only then would Modi’s agenda stand a reasonable chance of fulfillment, which I hope earnestly it does.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

SAFETY MATTERS

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, ‘Let’s talk safety’ (IE, September 13). The amendments to the Motor Vehicle Act are a positive step. They should be followed by measures to inculcate discipline among road users. Protests against the Act indicate that enforcing it will require behavioural changes. It will also require a sustained debate on the punitive measures prescribed in the Act.

Vihaan Gupta, Ujjain

ABOUT EQUALITY

THIS REFERS TO the article, ‘Quota question’ (IE, September 13). Debates must be encouraged on all topics, no matter how controversial. However, reservation policy is not against the principle of equality. It is about ensuring equality in society. Before we jump on to the conclusion that reservation must be economically based, we must look at the occupational structure in our society. Do we not find the priests in the temples belong to one group and the manual scavengers to another? There is no judge from the SC/ST communities in the Supreme Court.

Vinay Saroha, Delhi

OWN THE CRISIS

THIS REFERS TO the article, ‘Poised for a turnaround’ (IE, September 13). The authors contradict themselves in first, informing the reader that the economy is

LETTER OF THE WEEK

LESS MONEY

This refers to the article, ‘The revival path’ (IE, September 6). There seems to be a consensus amongst economists that the lack of demand is the main reason behind the economic slowdown. There are toll taxes on roads, bills for water, public transport fares have gone up, many trains run on flexi fare, education and health are privatised to a large extent and the Motor vehicle Act imposes stringent penalties. So people have less money to spend.

Suchak D Patel, Ahmedabad

doing well as “global investors and multinational companies are putting their hard earned monies into India”. They also add that most economic indicators show the economy is robust. However, in the concluding paragraph, we are informed “the government is cognisant of the urgency of the situation”. Historically, citizens have always shown resilience and togetherness in times of crisis. If only the government could admit to the economic crisis.

Sanjay Vijayan, Greater Noida

TOPOF THE WORLD



At the Bahamas. AP

BAHAMAS

After Dorian, another storm hits island

Nassau: A new storm brought rain and wind to the hurricane ravaged Bahamas early Friday, with the Miami-based National Hurricane Center (NHC) warning it could turn into a tropical storm. Early Friday, it was a tropical disturbance over the central Bahamas, packing winds of 30 mph (45 kph) and was expected to drop two to four inches of rain through Sunday, the NHC said. There is an 80 per cent chance it will turn into a stronger tropical depression or even a tropical storm named Humberto in the next day or so, the NHC said.

MEXICO

6 people die in shootings in Albuquerque

Albuquerque: Police say six people were killed in separate shootings in the city. There have been no arrests in Thursday night's shootings, which also left five people wounded. Officers responded shortly after 9 p.m. to a call of shots fired at 1028 Lura Place. Three people were found dead, a fourth died at the hospital and two others suffered injuries that were not life-threatening. At 8:44 p.m., officers received a report of gunfire at the Rio Volcan Apartments at 1919 Ladera. Two people later died at the hospital and two others were injured.

PHILIPPINES

270 Chinese citizens held in fraud raid

Manila: Philippine police have arrested more than 270 Chinese nationals in a raid on a gang wanted over a vast investment fraud that cost victims in China millions of dollars, authorities said Friday. Agents swooped on an office building in Manila Wednesday to take four suspects into custody in connection with the 100 million yuan scam, but stumbled upon many more. "The operation then yielded the incidental arrest of 273 other Chinese nationals caught in the act of conducting illegal online operations," immigration authorities said.

Hong Kong leader promises focus on jobs, housing as protests continue

During autumn festival, protesters carry lights, form human chains

JESSIE PANG & CLARE JIM
HONG KONG, SEPTEMBER 13

Hong Kong pro-democracy protesters took to the hills to form flashlight-carrying human chains on Friday, using the colourful Mid-Autumn Festival as a backdrop to the latest in more than three months of sometimes violent unrest.

The peaceful protests, on a day when families traditionally gather to gaze at the moon and eat mooncakes while children swing colourful lanterns from the end of sticks, came after Hong Kong leader Carrie Lam promised to focus on housing and jobs to try to end the turmoil. Lam, who said she caused "unforgivable havoc" by igniting the crisis and would quit if she had the choice, said in a Facebook post her government would increase the supply of housing in the Chinese-ruled city.

"Housing and people's livelihoods are the main priorities," Lam said. "The government will add to housing supply measures which will be continuously put



Demonstrators form a human chain at a tourist spot in Hong Kong on Friday. AP

in place and not missed."

Sun Hung Kai Properties, which reported its earnings on Thursday, said the current unrest was a wake-up call to both the government and private companies to build more housing. Financial Secretary Paul Chan told reporters a new vacancy tax aims to push developers to launch completed apartments on to the market as soon as possible.

As darkness fell on Friday night, protesters armed with

flashlights, mobile phones and lanterns gathered at Victoria Peak and Lion Rock.

They lined the path running along the north face of the Peak, looking across the harbour to Lion Rock in the distance, with mainland China beyond.

Protesters gathered in their hundreds across the territory, singing and chanting, in contrast to the violence of many previous weekends when police have responded with tear gas, rubber bullets and water cannon.

"Today, there's not many here because we have an event in every district, and because this area is not a residential area, it's a working area full of offices," said protester Jason Liu in the Admiralty district of government offices and hotels.

The spark for protests was a now-withdrawn extradition bill and concerns that Beijing is eroding civil liberties, but many young protesters are also angry at sky-high living costs and a lack of job prospects. **REUTERS**

EXPLAINED E.

Two key sectors

HONG KONG has long had a problem when it comes to housing, as it has some of the most valuable real estate in the world. Its limited landmass results in many people being consigned to expensive "shoe-box" apartments.

By announcing she would take steps to tackle this issue, Hong Kong leader Carrie Lam is following up on a statement in which she said the withdrawal of the contentious extradition Bill would only be a first step. Her areas of focus, the number of jobs and housing, are both key reasons why protesters have still been taking to the streets. While it is unlikely that such steps will immediately halt protests, it may lead to a deeper engagement between protesters and the administration.

In third Democratic debate, Biden fends off blows

Elizabeth Warren drew praise for her grasp of policy, while Kamala Harris had some of the night's best lines

EMBATTLED BIDEN

Joe Biden came under the fiercest and most sustained scrutiny, from his ideological foes, from a former cabinet mate and even from the moderators. He was pushed on race, on deportations, on health care and, in an intense exchange, on his age. But in the end, Biden exited the stage the same way he entered it: the embattled-yet-clear front-runner. He repeatedly mentioned President Barack Obama's name and policy record as a shield against rivals who suggested his own record was flawed. On health care, immigration, foreign wars and more, Biden's central theme was his tenure serving under Obama



The Democratic candidates at the start of the presidential debate in Houston. Reuters

WARREN UNSCATHED

Nobody attacked her. Nobody questioned her electability. She wasn't involved in the night's memorabilia exchanges. Elizabeth Warren was able to define herself as the candidate with specific plans without getting into the muck of those arguing over policy specifics

NIGHT OF ONE-LINERS

Criticising the president, Kamala Harris said he "conducts trade policy by tweet". "He reminds me of that guy in 'The Wizard of Oz.' When you pull back the curtain, it's a really small dude," she said of Trump at another point. The crowd roared

SANDERS ATTACKS

Bernie Sanders took aim at Biden on health care, trade and the Iraq war. No one is quite clear on what will happen if Biden starts bleeding support. Iowa surveys show that Sanders is the leading second-choice candidate among Biden's backers

PRAISE FOR BETO

Beto O'Rourke became a figure of admiration following his response to the mass shooting that killed 22 people in El Paso. But the praise is also indicative of how far he has fallen since March — he is now at around 1 percent to 2 percent in most polls. **NYT**

US destroyer sails in South China Sea

REUTERS

WASHINGTON, SEPTEMBER 13

A US Navy destroyer sailed near islands claimed by China in the South China Sea on Friday, the US military said, angering Beijing, which said the ship had entered Chinese territorial waters without permission.

The waterway is one of a growing number of flashpoints in US-Chinese ties, which include an escalating trade war, American sanctions on China's military and

US relations with Taiwan.

Commander Reann Mommsen, a spokeswoman for the US Navy's Seventh Fleet, told *Reuters* that the destroyer Wayne E Meyer challenged territorial claims in the operation, including what she described as excessive Chinese claims around the Paracel Islands, which are also claimed by Taiwan and Vietnam.

"...China has attempted to claim more internal waters, territorial sea, exclusive economic zone, and continental shelf than

it is entitled under international law," Mommsen said.

The People's Liberation Army's Southern Theater Command said in a statement that the Wayne E Meyer had entered waters near the Paracels without the permission of the Chinese government

Chinese forces were mobilized to monitor the ship and warn it to leave, the statement said, adding the United States was harming China's sovereign rights with its repeated patrols in the South China Sea.

Google to promote original news reporting

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

SAN FRANCISCO, SEPT 13

ORIGINAL REPORTING will be highlighted in Google's search results, the company said as it announced changes to its algorithm.

The world's largest search engine has come under criticism from media outlets, mainly because of its algorithms — a set of instructions followed by computers — that newspapers have often blamed for plummeting online traffic and the industry's decline.

AMID CRITICISM

THE CHANCE comes as Google continues to face criticism for its impact on news media. Many say the tech giant's algorithms — which remain a source of mysterious frustration for anyone outside Google — reward clickbait, and allow investigative and original stories to disappear

Google's vice president of news Richard Gingras said stories that were critically important and labor intensive — requiring experienced investigative skills, for example — would be promoted.

Articles that demonstrated "original, in-depth and investigative reporting," would be given the highest possible rating by reviewers, he wrote on Thursday.

These reviewers — roughly 10,000 people whose feedback contributes to Google's algorithm — will also determine the publisher's overall reputation for

original reporting, promoting outlets that have been awarded Pulitzer Prizes, for example.

It remains to be seen how such changes will affect news outlets, especially smaller online sites and local newspapers.

And as noted by the technology website TechCrunch, it is hard to define exactly what original reporting is: many online outlets build on 'scoops' or exclusives with their own original information, a complexity an algorithm may have a hard time picking through.



UK PM Boris Johnson in Doncaster on Friday. Reuters

Rough shape exists for Brexit deal, says Boris, ahead of meet with EU president

Irish PM plays down chances, says gap between UK, EU remains wide

CONOR HUMPHRIES & KYLIE MACLELLAN

GARRYVOE, LONDON, SEPT 13

BRITISH PRIME Minister Boris Johnson said Friday there was "the rough shape of a deal to be done" over Brexit, as he prepared to meet European Commission President Jean-Claude Juncker in a renewed push to reach an agreement.

But Irish Prime Minister Leo Varadkar played down the prospects, saying the gap between Britain and the EU remained "very wide" and he doubted Johnson could make the compromises needed to get a deal and have it ratified by UK lawmakers.

With just seven weeks until Britain is due to leave the EU, Johnson will travel to Luxembourg on Monday for his first meeting with Juncker as he seeks to renegotiate the exit deal his predecessor Theresa May reached with the bloc.

"We are working incredibly hard to get a deal. There is the rough shape of a deal to be done," Johnson said at a convention of local politicians in northern England, during which he was heckled by a protestor for a decision to suspend parliament for more than a month as the Brexit deadline rapidly approaches.

Doubt over Brexit has created Britain's biggest political crisis in decades. Johnson's opponents say he has no real prospect of reaching an agreement with the EU on terms of Britain's exit from the bloc, and was instead steering the country on a course to crash out without an agreement.

The prime minister says he does want a deal but needs a credible threat to leave without one if he is to persuade the EU to compromise.

Speaker vows to thwart PM over Brexit law

London: Britain's parliamentary speaker has warned Prime Minister Boris Johnson not to disobey the law by refusing to ask for a Brexit delay and vowed to thwart any attempt to circumvent legislation.

The speaker of Britain's House of Commons John Bercow said disobeying the law "would be the most terrible example to set to the rest of society", according to Britain's Press Association news agency.

In a speech in London on Thursday, Bercow warned if the government comes close to doing so, parliament "would want to cut off such a possibility and do so forcefully". "If that demands additional procedural creativity in order to come to pass, it is a racing certainty that this will happen, and that neither the limitations of the existing rule book nor the ticking of the clock will stop it doing so". **PTI**

Johnson said he would also be meeting with EU chief Brexit negotiator Michel Barnier on Monday.

"We'll talk about the ideas that we have been working on, and we'll see where we get. I would say I'm cautiously optimistic," he said. **REUTERS**

A PREGNANT WOMAN AFTER LEAVING KABUL: 'NO ONE TAKES CARE OF YOU THERE EVEN IF YOU DIE'

At a maternity centre near Afghan war zone, 20 births in one day

DAVID ZUCCHINO & FATIMA FAIZI

ANABAH, SEPTEMBER 13

HE WAS a few minutes old; a fussy, wriggling baby in a heated bassinet. He let out a squawk when a neonatal nurse plunged a vitamin K injection into his thigh.

The 6-pound boy — the nurses called him Aquila, his mother's name — was the 20th baby delivered over the course of 24 hours at the Anabah Maternity Center, perched on a rocky hillside in the Panjshir Valley in northern Afghanistan. In a country with one of the

world's worst health care systems, the center provides safe, modern care to thousands of Afghan women. More than 7,500 babies were delivered there last year — at least 600 every month.

The center, guided by a mostly female 14-member international team, is staffed by Afghan women — from pediatricians, nurses and midwives to cleaners and assistants. Few men in Afghanistan's harsh, patriarchal society will allow their wives or daughters to be examined by a male doctor.

And in a country where people die every day from suicide bombers or roadside bombs, a new life begins almost every

hour inside the center's sunlit wards.

Women, most of them poor, travel for miles over rough roads through treacherous territory to give birth at the center. Many have abandoned government or private clinics, where patients often have to pay up front or provide their own medicine and food.

Others are drawn by the free care and open-door policy of the center, run by Italian charity Emergency. And many say they prefer to be treated by women.

Eman Youszai, 26, pregnant with her first child, had been driven three hours to the center. Lying on a bed in an observation



At the Anabah Maternity Center, in Afghanistan. NYT

room, she said she had left a maternity hospital in Kabul, the cap-

ital, because "no one takes care of you there even if you die."



Appeal For Identification

General public is hereby informed that this person **Name** : Unknown **S/o** : Unknown, **R/o** : Unknown, **Age** : 24 Years, **Sex** : Male, **Height** : 5 Ft. 6 Inch, **Complexion** : Wheatish, **ID Mark** : A Tattoo Mark of "RS" on Right Forearm, **Wearing** : Hospital Clothes, has been found dead on 05.09.2019 Near Bela Road, Ring Road, Behind Red Fort, Kotwali, Delhi. In this regard a FIR No. 295/19 Dated 05.09.2019 has been lodged at PS. Kotwali, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out information about this person but no clue has come to light so far. Any person having any information or clue about this person may kindly inform to the following. **SHO PS. Kotwali, Delhi**
DP/419/N/19. Ph.: 011-23977100, 8750870121



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WALK IN INTERVIEW FOR THE POSITION OF RESEARCH ASSOCIATE & JUNIOR RESEARCH FELLOWS

Walk-in interview of the candidates fulfilling the qualifications mentioned below initially for a period of two years (extendable as per rules in the case of JRF), is to be held in DMSRDE, Kanpur to award Research Associateship & Junior Research Fellowships.

Sl. No.	Associateship/ Fellowship	Number of Associateship /Fellowship	Subject/ Discipline	Qualification	Date & Time of walk-in Interview
1.	Research Associateship	01 (One)	Chemistry or Materials Engineering	Ph.D.. or equivalent degree in relevant discipline from a recognized university. Ph.D. or equivalent degree in relevant discipline from a recognized university. or having three years of research, teaching or design and development experience after ME/M.Tech. with at least one research paper in Science Citation Index (SCI) journal.	21st October 2019 (Monday) 0900 hrs
2.	junior Research Fellowship	01 (One)	Chemistry	Post Graduate degree in relevant discipline in first division with NET qualification	
		01 (One)	Physics		
3.	junior Research Fellowship	02 (Two)	Mechanical Engineering	Graduate degree in professional course (B.E./B.Tech.) in relevant discipline in first division with NET/GATE.	22nd October 2019 (Tuesday) 0900 hrs
		01 (One)	Chemical Engineering	Post graduate degree in professional course (M.E./M.Tech.) in relevant discipline in first division both at Graduate and Post graduate level.	

#The number of vacancies may vary depending upon requirement at the time of walk-in interview. A vacancy may be kept unfilled, if no candidate is found suitable.

Age : For RA is 35 years and for JRF is 28 Years as on date of interview (5 years relaxation for SC/ST candidates & 3 years for OBC candidates). However, the OBC candidates in the creamy layer will not be eligible for age relaxation.

Fellowship Stipend: ₹ 54,000/- p.m. for RA and ₹ 31,000/-p.m. (1st & 2nd year) for JRF.

Contingency grant up to a maximum of ₹ 15,000/- per annum and 20,000/- per annum shall be paid to Research Fellows and Research Associates respectively on reimbursement basis for the first two years. The contingency grant may be increased to ₹ 20,000/- for the subsequent years (in case of JRF). They shall also be eligible for HRA as per Government rules.

Research Associates and junior Research Fellows are not eligible for other type of benefits like DA, CCA, Bonus, Retirement benefit etc. However, they are eligible for medical facilities for self only through MI Room facility available in the campus.

The award of fellowship/associateship will not confer any right on the candidate for further employment in DRDO. Director, DMSRDE reserves the right not to select any candidate, if suitable candidates are not available.

Interested candidates fulfilling the above qualifications may appear for a walk-in interview at the **DMSRDE Transit Facility (Near DRLM Puliya), DMSRDE, G. T. Road, Kanpur 208 004** on the date & time as mentioned above along with a bio-data (format enclosed) clearly indicating the name of the fellowship/associateship applied for, with a recent passport size photograph and Xerox copies of testimonials. They must also bring all original Mark sheets/Certificates/Testimonials/Community Certificate (if applicable)/GATE/NET Score Card and ID proof (Voter's ID/AADHAR Card/Pan Card/Driving License). Candidates working in Government/Public Sector Undertaking/Autonomous bodies should apply through proper channel.

Note:

- Candidates who have submitted their Ph. D. thesis may also appear in walk-in interview for Research Associateship. However, the Research Associateship shall be awarded only after the candidate has been awarded the degree or provisional certificate.
- Wherever the OBC category has been mentioned, it means only candidates not in the creamy layer.
- Canvassing in any form will be disqualification.

DIRECTOR
DMSRDE, KANPUR

APPLICATION FORMAT
APPLICATION FOR RESEARCH ASSOCIATE/JUNIOR RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP
(CHEMISTRY/PHYSICS/MATERIALS ENGINEERING/MECHANICAL ENGINEERING/CHEMICAL ENGINEERING)
(Strike out which is not applicable)

1. Name of the applicant:
(CAPITAL LETTERS)

2. Father's/Husband's Name:

3. Date of Birth:

4. District/State in which belong:

5. Permanent Address:

6. Correspondence Address:

7. e_mail:

8. Whether belongs to SC/ST/OBC category:

9. Whether Married/Unmarried:

10. Religion:

11. Academic Qualification:

Mobile:

Nationality:

12. Experience:

13. NET/GATE qualified: Yes/No

14. If Yes, give detail:

15. Knowledge of computers:
(i) Course undertaken
(ii) Skill acquired
(iii) Knowledge of research tools/softwares

16. **UNDERTAKING** : I hereby certify that the information furnished above is true to the best of my knowledge and in the event of any information furnished above is found to be false or it is found that I have suppressed/concealed any material/information, my candidature is liable to be cancelled and government may take such other action as it may deem fit.

Date:

Signature of the Applicant

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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF PROPERTY/IES
E-auction of Factory Land & Building with plant and machinery on 30.09.2019 on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS, AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" & "WHATEVER THERE IS" on the platform <https://allahabadbank.auctiontiger.net>
E-auction sale notice for sale of Immovable Assets under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrowers/s and guarantor/s that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the secured creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Allahabad Bank Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "whatever there is" basis as on **30.09.2019**. The details of bank's dues, Borrower & Guarantors, Reserve Price, Earnest money & Description of immovable properties is given below:

Sl. No. & Branch	Name of the Account	Details of Immovable Properties	Name of the Mortgagor(s)/ Guarantor(s)	Amount of Secured Debt	Reserve Price (in Rs)	Earnest Money Deposit
1. SAMB Patna	M/s Gauri Shankar Agro Processing Pvt. Ltd. Director: Smt. Veena Devi, Registered Office at-22, Rafiganj, Ward No.-11, Maharaj Ganj Road, Rafiganj, Dist- Aurangabad, Bihar 824125.	A. All part & parcel of factory land & Building along with plant & machineries situated at Vill-Nima wajid, P.O+P.S-Rafiganj, Dist-Aurangabad, Bihar having Plot No.193, Khata No.-05, Thana-670 admeasuring 51 3/4 Decimals purchased vide Sale Deed No.-16412 dated 10.12.2013 in the name of M/S Gauri Shankar Agro Processing Pvt. Ltd through its Director Smt. Veena Devi. Boundary: North-Ramchandra Sao, South-Latif Mian, East-Nij & West-Dilip Sao & Ashok Sao AND a portion of Land admeasuring 13.5 Decimals in the name of Smt. Veena Devi W/o Sri Pankaj Kumar purchased vide Sale Deed No.-11013 dated 27.07.2013 having Khata No.-05, Plot No.-521/193, Thana-670 at Vill-Nima Wajid, P.O+P.S-Rafiganj, Dist.-Aurangabad, Bihar Boundary: North-Nij, Vikreta/Ramchandra Sao, South-Meena Devi, East-Pind, West-Nij, Vikreta. B. All that part and parcel of the land/ building along with present/ future construction thereon: In the name of Smt. Veena Devi D/o Sri Udhav Sao (W/o Sri Pankaj Kumar), area measuring 10 Decimal, Sale Deed No.11013 dated 27.07.2013, Plot No.191/263, Khata No.05, Thana No.670, situated at Village- Nima Wajid, PO & PS-Rafiganj, Mauza- Nima-Wajid, District-Aurangabad, Bihar, bounded as under: North- Pind, South- Jageshwar Sao, East- Saryu Sao, West-Dilip Sao/Ashok Sao. C. All that part and parcel of the land/ building along with present/ future construction thereon: In the name of Smt. Veena Devi D/o Sri Udhav Sao (W/o Sri Pankaj Kumar), area measuring 11 Decimal, Sale Deed No.11013 dated 27.07.2013, Plot No.253, Khata No.05, Thana No.670, situated at Village- Nima Wajid, PO & PS-Rafiganj, Mauza- Nima-Wajid, District-Aurangabad, Bihar, bounded as under: North- Aftab Alam, South- Chhour, East- Gulabchand Sao, West-Jageshwar Sao.	1. M/s Gauri Shankar Agro Processing Pvt. Ltd. 2. Smt. Veena Devi W/o Sri Pankaj Kumar S/o Sri Vijay Kumar	₹3,55,00,558/- (Rupees Three crore fifty five lakhs five hundred fifty eight only as on 23.11.2017 and interest thereon	₹10657575/- (Rupees One crore six lakh fifty seven thousand seven hundred seventy five only)	₹10657587/- (Rupees Ten lakh sixty five thousand seven hundred fifty eight only)
2. SAMB Patna	M/s Sarita Concrete Prop: Sri Raju Kumar, Reg. Office- L-203, Dumrao Palace, Fraser Road, Patna, Bihar, 800001	(A) All that part and parcel of the land and building: In the name of Smt. Pummy Singh, W/o-Sri Raju Kumar & D/o-Sri Subhas Singh, Sale Deed No.12144 dated 29.06.2009, Unit No.-(shop no.) L-205, Second Floor, Area-354 Sq.ft (Super built up area), At-Dumrao Place, Fraser Road, P.S.-Kotwali, PO-GPO-Patna, District-Patna-800001, bounded by North-Shiv Narayan Lal (now Hem Plaza), South-Savitri Devi & others, East-Fraser Road, West-Plot of Smt. Indumati RV Singh and land of Sri D N Sen (now Shanti Vihar). Boundary of Unit no. L-205 is North-Corridor, South-Parking & Oper Space, East-Corridor & shop no. L-203 & L-204, West-Shop no L-206. (B) All that part and parcel of the land and building: In the name of Smt. Pummy Singh, W/o-Sri Raju Kumar & D/o-Sri Subhas Singh, Sale Deed No.12144 dated 29.06.2009, Unit No.-(shop no.) L-221, Second Floor, Area-481 Sq.ft (Super built up area), At-Dumrao Place, Fraser Road, P.S.-Kotwali, PO-GPO-Patna, District-Patna-800001, bounded by North-Shiv Narayan Lal (now Hem Plaza), South-Savitri Devi & others, East-Fraser Road, West-Plot of Smt. Indumati RV Singh and land of Sri D N Sen (now Shanti Vihar). Boundary of Unit no. L-221 is North-shop no. D-221, South-Corridor, East-Corridor & shop no.L-201 & L-222, West-Shop no. L-220.	1. Smt. Pummy Singh W/o Mr. Raju Kumar S/o Sri Shyam Singh	₹3,03,93,444/- (Rupees Three crore three ninety thousand four hundred forty four only) excluding recovered amount if any, and interest thereon w.e.f 09.02.2018 which has to be realized by sale of the said properties	₹2775360/- (Rupees twenty seven lakh seventy five thousand three hundred sixty only)	₹2775367/- (Rupees two lakh seventy seven thousand five hundred thirty six only)
3. SAMB Patna	M/s Sri Balaji Iron Prop: Mr. Amarnath Sah, At-Village & P.S.-Janipur, P.O.-Shorampur, Patna, Bihar, 801505	(A) All that part and parcel of the property situated at Mauza- Janipur, P.S. Janipur Sadar Registry Office, Distt. Patna, Thana No.-62, Khata No. 116, survey plot No. 305(P) total area -2 Katha 2 dhoor (approx 6.5625 Decimal) in the name of Sri Parichha Sah (Father of Proprietor Amarnath Sah). Bounded By:- North-Sri Pramod Ray, South-Prem Gupta, East-Road, West-Hal Kharidar Anil Kumar. (B) All that part and parcel of the property situated at Mauza- Janipur, Mohalla -Janipur, survey Thana, Phulwari hal Thana Janipur, Thana No. 62, sub registrar Danapur, sadar registrar Patna Tauzi No. 122, Khata No. 116, Plot No. 305, covering total area 1 Katha 10 Dhur (approx 4.6875 Decimal) in the name of Sri Ajay Kumar Sah and Sri Amarnath Sah (Both S/O Parichha Sah). Bounded By:- North-Road, South-Muarik Rai, East-Shiv Pujan Rajak, West-Kedar Rajak. (C) All that part and parcel of the property situated at Mauza-Saristabad, Thana-Naubatpur, Thana No. 168, sub registrar Bikram, sadar registrar Patna Tauzi No. 51, Khata No. 51, Plot No. 80 covering total area of 2.65 Katha (approx 8.28125 Decimal) in the name of Sri Amarnath Sah (S/O Sri Parichha Sah). Bounded By:- North-Road, South-Siwana (Akbarpur), East-Md. Mojiuddin (Part of Plot No.80), West-Khesra No.81, Shambhu Sao & Ranjeet Kr. Gupta.	1. Mr. Parichha Sah, S/o Late Kishun Sah 2. Mr. Amarnath Sah, S/o Mr. Parichha Sah 3. Mr. Ajay Kumar Sah, S/o Mr. Parichha Sah	₹1,98,96,218/- (Rupees One Crore Ninety Eight Lakhs ninety six Thousand two Hundred eighteen Only) excluding recovered amount if any, and interest thereon w.e.f 12.04.2018 which has to be realized by sale of the said properties	₹74,40,300/- (Rupees seventy four lakhs forty three hundred only)	₹74,40,030/- (Rupees seven lakhs forty four thousand thirty only)
4. SAMB Patna	M/s Arena Food & Agro Industries Pvt. Ltd. Director- Mr. Radhey Sharma & Mr. Krishna Kumar Singh, Office-Village & PO-Nimi, District- Sheikhpura, Bihar, 805108	All that part and parcel of the land/building along with present/future construction thereon: (I). In the name of Smt. Urmila Devi W/o Late Harangi Singh, Total area admeasuring 27-Decimal, Comprising in Plot No.2771, Khata No.261 (17-Decimal), Plot No.2768, Khata No.106 (8.25-Decimal), Plot No.2769, Khata No.56 (0.75-Decimal), Plot No.2768, Khata No.106 (0.75-Decimal) Plot No.2769, Khata No.56 (0.25-Decimal). Situated at Mauza-Nimi, Thana-Shekhopur Sarai, District-Sheikhpura, Bihar, Boundary as under: North-Bakahori Singh, South-Trilok Singh, East-Avinash Kumar, West Munshi Singh & Others. (II). In the name of Mr. Krishna Kumar Singh S/o Late Harangi Singh, Total area admeasuring 132-Decimal, Comprising in Plot No.2771, Khata No.281, Situated at Mauza-Nimi, Thana-Shekhopur Sarai, District-Sheikhpura, Bihar, Bounded by (For Area 101-Decimal): North-Sadan Razak, South-Siwana of Pahariya Village, East-Ganga Singh & Others, West Munshi Singh. Bounded By: (For Area 31-Decimal): North,Sadan Razak, South-Siwana of Pahariya Village, East-Nadi & Ganga Singh, West-Munshi Singh. (III). In the joint name of Mr. Radhey Sharma & Mr. Krishna Kumar Singh both are S/o Late Harangi Singh, Total area admeasuring 50-Decimal, Comprising in Khasara No.2771, Khata No.261, Tauzi No.4055, Thana No.10, Situated at Mauza-Nimi, Thana-Shekhopur Sarai, District-Sheikhpura, Bihar, Boundary as under: North-Niz Land, South-Siwana of Pahariya Vilalge, East-Niz Land, West-Gaya Singh & Others. (IV). In the name of M/s Arena Food & Agro Industries Pvt. Ltd., Total area admeasuring 16.5-Decimal, Comprising in Khasara No.2774, Khata No.118, Tauzi No.4055, Thana No.10, Situated at-Mauza-Nimi, Thana-Shekhopur Sarai, District-Sheikhpura, Bihar, Boundary as under: North-Sadak, South-Niz Land, East-Nande Singh, West-Dan Razak & Others.	1. Smt. Urmila Devi W/o Late Harangi Singh 2. Mr. Radhey Sharma S/o Late Harangi Singh 3. Mr. Krishna Kumar Singh S/o Late Harangi Singh	₹12,06,00,862/- (Rupees twelve crore six lakh eight hundred & sixty two only) excluding recovered amount if any, and interest thereon w.e.f 13.08.2018 which has to be realized by sale of the said properties	₹15960000/- (Rupees one crore fifty nine lakh sixty thousand only)	₹15960007/- (Rupees fifteen lakh ninety six thousand only)
5. SAMB Patna	M/s Sindhu Sewa Sansthan, Secretary: Mr. Pramod Kumar Suman at 2-M/74, Bahadurpur Housing Colony, TV Tower Road, Kankarbag, Patna- 800020	(I) All that part and parcel of the Land and Building of Sindhu Public School, along with present/future construction thereon situated at Sampat Chak, in the name of Sindhu Sewa Sansthan, area measuring 15-Katha, Sale Deed No.10558 dated 27.10.2005, Tauzi No.14071, Thana No.126, Khata No.55, Survey Plot No.2548, Situated at- Sampat Chak, Mauza-Sohagi, Mahal-Harpur Hathder, Survey Thana-Phulwari, Hal Thana- Gauri Chak, District- Patna, Bihar, bounded as under (As per Deed):-North- Baleshwar Singh, Hal Karidar Digar, South- Mundrika Singh, East- Purchase Digar, West- Smt. Archana Singh (II) All that part and parcel of the Land and Building of in the name of Sindhu Sewa Sansthan, along with present/future construction thereon, area measuring 19-Katha-6-Dhur, Sale Deed No.10039 dated 05.06.2008, Bearing Book No.01 Zild No.170, Page No.381-388, Tauzi No.14071, Thana No.126, Khata No.55, Plot No.2548, 2550 & 2551, Situated at- Sampat Chak, Mauza- Sohagi, Mahal- Harpur Hathder, Survey Thana- Phulwari, Hal Thana- Gauri Chak, District- Patna, Bihar, bounded as under (As per Deed):- North- Sona Devi, Archana Suman & Sindhu Sewa Sansthan, South- Hal Kharidar, East- Hal Kharidar, West- Alang (III) All that part and parcel of the Land and Building of in the name of Smt. Archana Suman W/o Pramod Kumar Suman, along with present/future construction thereon, area measuring 10-Katha, Sale Deed No.1819 dated 24.02.2004, Bearing Book No.01, Zild No.NIL, Page No.469-484, Tauzi No.14071, Thana No.126, Khata No.126, Plot No.2548, Situated at – Sampat Chak, Mauza- Sohagi, Mahal- Harpur Hathder, Survey Thana- Phulwari, Hal Thana- Gauri Chak, District– Patna, Bihar, bounded as under (As per Deed):- North- Baleshwar Singh, Hal Kharidar Digar, South- Mundrika Singh, East- Nij, West- Pine	1. Mr. Pramod Kumar Suman S/o Prasad, 2. Smt. Shanti Devi W/o Mr. Banaras Prasad, 3. Mr. Banaras Prasad S/o Mr. Gopal Prasad, 4. Mr. Anil Kumar Praveen S/o Mr. Banaras Prasad, 5. Smt. Archana Suman W/o Mr. Pramod Kumar Suman	₹1,30,78,726/- (Rupees One Crore Thirty Lakhs Seventy Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Six Only as on 30.08.2018 e x c l u d i n g recovered amount if any, and interest thereon which has to be realized by sale of the said properties	₹51930000/- (Rupees five crores nineteen lakhs thirty thousand only)	₹51930007/- (Rupees fifty one lakhs ninety three thousand only)

Last Date & time for Submission of Process compliance Form with EMD amount: 26.09.2019 at Allahabad Bank, Stressed Asset Management Branch (SAMB), Near Kotwali Police Station, Budh Marg, Patna, Bihar-800001 Till 5.00 PM

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E-TENDER DATE EXTENSION NOTICE-1st
This office e-tenders specification no. CCP-I/19 & 20/2019-2020 invited previously, for supply of 11KV INC VCB Panel 500MVA 800/400/5A, 11KV FDR VCB Panel 500 MVA 400/200/5A, 11KV Bus Coupler 500MVA & 33KV Polymer Disc Insulator (B&S) Type 70KN respectively are hereby extended due to unavoidable reasons. The e-tenders can be purchased and submitted upto 17:00 hrs of 23.09.2019. Part-I of the e-tenders shall be opened on 24.09.2019 at 15:30 hrs & 15:45 hrs respectively.
Other terms & conditions will remain same as per original tender notice.
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No:- 483/EE(CM)/UPCL/A-2 Date:- 12/09/19 Superintending Engineer, Corporate (C&P-I)

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Public Notice for Recruitment of Assistant Engineer in Haryana Power Utilities viz. HVPNL, HPGCL, UHBVNL & DHBVNL in 2020 through the score of GATE (Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering) 2020 being conducted by IIT, Delhi

It is for the information of all concerned that Haryana Power Utilities (HPU) i.e. Haryana Vidyut Prasaran Nigam Limited (HVPNL), Haryana Power Generation Corporation Limited (HPGCL), Uttar Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam Limited (UHBVNL) & Dakshin Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam Limited (DHBVNL) would be undertaking the recruitment of Assistant Engineer/Electrical Cadre and Assistant Engineer/Civil Cadre in 2020 for the posts likely to be vacant as on 31.05.2020. If any, through the score of GATE, 2020 being conducted by Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi.

The essential qualification, utility wise bifurcation of the posts to be filled in various disciplines under Electrical Cadre & Civil Cadre and other terms & conditions will be notified by HPUs in the detailed advertisement as per requirement of HPUs in June/July, 2020.

Candidates may keep visiting HPUs website (www.hvpnl.org.in, www.hpgcl.org.in, www.uhbvn.org.in & www.dhbvn.org.in) for further details.

Place: Panchkula
Date: 12.09.2019
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Sd/-
Deputy Secretary/HR & SR,
HVPNL, Panchkula.

INVITATION OF e-QUOTATION
Sealed e-Quotations are invited for Contract Rate of "Providing and Installing CCTV Cameras in Sinchai Bhawan, Narnaul". The Quotations will be received upto **03.00 PM, on 24.09.2019** and the same shall be Opened in the Office of under-signed on **25.09.2019 at 03.00 PM**, in presence of Bidders who desire to be present. The Sealed Quotations for Supply must be submitted along with Earnest Money in the form of DD/DAC in favour of Executive Engineer, M/Garh Canal Water Services Division, Narnaul. The Earnest Money required @ 2% of the Quotation amount or quoted Price by the Bidder whichever is higher.

Note:- The Rate Quotation of items may be submitted either Online in BOQ or may be submitted as Hard Copy of BOQ format in Sealed Envelope in the Office of under-signed before the Due Date & Time.

Sr. No.	Description of Items	Qty.
1.	CCTV Camera make Hikvision Ds-2CE5AF1T-IRP HD 3 MP Turret Camera 3 Megapixel High-Performance CMOS Analog HD Output, upto 3 MP Resolution 2.8 mm, 3.6mm Lens True Day/Night OSD Menu, DNR, Smart IR Up to 20mm IS Distance Up the Coax (HIKVISION-C)	8 Nos.
2.	CCTV Camera make Hikvision Ds-2CE1AF1T-IT? 3 Megapixel High-Performance CMOS Analog HD Output, upto 3MP Resolution 2.8mm, 3.6mm, 6mm Lens True Day/ Night OSD Menu, DNR Smart IR EXIR Technology, up to 20m IR Distance IP66 Weatherproof Up the Coax (HIKVISION-C)	4 Nos.
3.	DVR MAKE HIKVISION DS-7100HQH-K1 SERIES H.265 Pro+H.265 Pro/H.265 Video Compression HDTV/AHD/CVI/CVBS/IP Video input Audio via Coaxial Cable Up to 6/12/24-Ch IP Camera inputs (Up to 6MP) Max. 800m for 1080p and 1200m for 720p HDTV Signal Up to 6 TB Capacity per HDD	1 No.
4.	Hard Drive 4 TB Make Toshiba/WD	1 No.
5.	3+1 CCTV Wire Make D-link	1000 Mtr.
6.	SMPS (Power Supply)	1 No.
7.	Installation Charges with Cable Laying per Camera	12 Nos.
8.	CCTV Monitor 42" TV Make:- Sony, Samsung, LG etc.	1 No.

For further details visit website: <https://etenders.hry.nic.in>.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
M/Garh Canal W/S Division,
Narnaul.

78692/HRY.

BIHAR STATE POWER (HOLDING) COMPANY LTD., PATNA
(A Govt. of Bihar undertaking)
(Regd. office: Vidyut Bhawan, Bailey Road, Patna)
Contact No : 7763813835, email-cecivillbshpcpatna@gmail.com
(Civil Department)

NOTICE INVITING TENDER
NIT No. - 53/PR/BSPHCL/2019
(Through e - procurement mode only – (www.eproc.bihar.gov.in))

Online e-Tenders are invited by Chief Engineer (Civil) for registered/eligible and experienced Agency/ Firm/ Company/ State or Central Govt. Undertaking for the works noted below:-

Sl. No.	Name of Work	Estimated Cost	E.M.D	Cost of BOQ (Non-refundable)	Completion time in months
1.	Construction of Officers Flats (5 Blocks) (G+4) at BSPHCL Colony Punaichak, Patna in 2019-20 on turnkey (EPC) basis.	Rs. 26,08,87,000/-	Rs. 36,08,900/-	Rs. 10,000/-	18 (Eighteen)

Period of Sale of Tender documents up to:- Up to 14.10.2019 (up to 1.00 P.M.) through website: www.eproc.bihar.gov.in

Pre-bid meeting:- 04.10.2019 at 3:00 PM in the office of Chief Engineer (Civil), BSPHCL, Vidyut Bhawan Patna.

Online receipt of tender up to:- Up to 15.10.2019 (up to 3:00 PM) through website www.eproc.bihar.gov.in

Submission of Original DD/BG Up to 16.10.2019 (up to 3:00 PM) in the office of Chief Engineer (Civil), BSPHCL, Vidyut Bhawan Patna.

Date of opening of Technical Part:- 16.10.2019 at 3:30 PM through website www.eproc.bihar.gov.in

Date of opening of price part: To be notified after Technical Bid Evaluation through website www.eproc.bihar.gov.in

- Cost of BOQ will be paid through online mode i.e. internet payment gateway (Credit/debit), Net banking, NEFT/RTGS to BSPHCL, Patna.
- EMD cost to be deposited in favour of Account Officer, BSPHCL Patna through Demand draft/ BG or online mode.
- Bid processing fee as mentioned in website www.eproc.bihar.gov.in will be paid through online mode i.e. internet payment gateway (Credit/debit), Net banking, NEFT/RTGS to BSEDCL, Patna.
- In case of submission of EMD cost through DD/ BG, Original Demand Draft/ BG will be submitted in the office of Chief Engineer (Civil), BSPHCL, Vidyut Bhawan Patna up to 16.10.2019 at 3.00 PM.
- The above tender is invited in anticipation of administrative approval from Energy Department. Tender may be cancelled at any stage by the competent authority without refunding the Cost of BOQ.
- The department doesn't take any responsibility for the delay/non-submission of tender/non-reconciliation of online payment caused due to non-availability of internet connection, network traffic/holidays or any other reasons.
- Estimated Cost may increase or decrease in BOQ and bidder have to submit EMD cost accordingly.
- The above estimated cost based on technical approval value. Final awarding cost may be changed as per quoted rate & Technical sanctioned value.
- Tender document along with General/special condition, bids and any corrigendum/ addendum of the tender are available only at website www.eproc.bihar.gov.in.

Chief Engineer (Civil)
BSPHCL

PR.007809 (Ni Ni) 2019-20

बेटा-बेटी एक समान। दहेज-प्रथा करे सबका अपमान।।

Ex- Servicemen Contributory Health Scheme (ECHS) Employment Notice

Name of Employer: ECHS
Place of Employment : ECHS Polyclinic, Faridabad : Nursing Assistant and Data Entry Operator
Place of Employment : ECHS Polyclinic, Palwal : Medical Officer
Terms and Condition (application) :- Available at www.echs.gov.in
Last date of Receipt of Application : Application to be submitted within 15 days from the date of publishing of the advertisement in the newspaper and **Addressed to :-** Station Commander, Air Force Station Faridabad (ECHS CELL), Dabua Colony, Dist -Faridabad-121005, Telephone No. 0129-2470714

: CORRIGENDUM-3 :
Following rectification is made in E-Tender Notice No.11 of 2019-20 of Executive Engineer Ukai Division No.1 Ukai PIN CODE NO.394680 Phone No. 02624-233221 Dist: Tapi.

EVENT	OLD DATE	NEW DATE
1. Downloading and Uploading of tender Document	DI.19-09-2019 up to 18.00 Hrs.	DI.30-09-2019 up to 18.00 Hrs.
2. Last date & Physical submission	DI.25-09-2019 up to 18.00 Hrs.	DI.07-10-2019 up to 18.00 Hrs.
3. P.Q. Bid Opening Date & Time	On DI.26-09-2019 12.00 Hrs.	On DI.09-10-2019 12.00 Hrs.

For further details please visit us at above stated office during office hours. details are available on web site www.nprocure.com other conditions remains unchanged.

No.:- INF-Surat/728/2019

E-TENDERING PRESS NOTICE
Executive Engineer, Civil Division No. IV, Irrigation & Flood Control Department Govt. of NCT of Delhi, L.M. Bund Office Complex, Shastri Nagar, Delhi-31 invites on behalf of President of India online Percentage rate tender from approved and eligible contractors registered with of Irrigation & Flood Control Department upto 3.00 PM dated on 16.09.2019 for the works:

H.O.A. : MLALAD FUND UNDER DEPTT. OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT
1. NIT No. 70/RE/CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_179543_1)
Name of work :- Improvement of CC Road & side drains at Village Ziyauddin Pur (New Kardampuri) Part-A in Babarpur Constituency AC-67. Estimated Cost of Rs. 74,31,707/- Earnest Money Rs. 1,48,634/- period of completion 90 days.

H.O.A. : MLALAD FUND UNDER DEPTT. OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT
2. NIT No. 71/RE/ CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_179541_1)
Name of work :- Improvement of CC Road & side drains at Village Ziyauddin Pur (New Kardampuri) Part-B in Babarpur Constituency AC-67. Estimated Cost of Rs. 77,70,965/- Earnest Money Rs. 1,55,419/- period of completion 90 days.

H.O.A. : MLALAD FUND UNDER DEPTT. OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT
3. NIT No. 72/RE/ CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_179548_1)
Name of work :- Improvement of CC Road & side drains at Village Ziyauddin Pur (New Kardampuri) Part-C in Babarpur Constituency AC-67. Estimated Cost of Rs. 63,49,269/- Earnest Money Rs. 1,26,985/- period of completion 90 days.

H.O.A. : 2711 NON PLAN (REVENUE) MAINTENANCE DRAINAGE
4. NIT No. 75/RE/ CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_179527_1)
Name of work :- Disposal of floating material garbage, slush an unhygienic deposit from collecting point at floating boom/ trash barrier (U/S side of D.J.B. Pipe Line Bridge) at RD 9990m on Left & Right Bank of Trunk Drain No. 1 to village Singhola (Khampur/Tikri) EDMC Authorized dumping ground. Estimated Cost of Rs. 35,77507/- Earnest Money Rs. 71,550/- period of completion 90 days.

H.O.A. : MLALAD FUND UNDER DEPTT. OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT
5. NIT No. 79/RE/ CD-IV/IFC/2019-20 (ID No. 2019_IFC_179524_1)
Name of work :- Development of damage street pavement and side drains in D-Block of Dayal Pur Extension in Mustafabad Constituency (AC-69). Estimated Cost of Rs. 93,56,158/-, Earnest Money Rs. 1,87,123/- period of completion 120 days.

Note : 1) The enlistment of the contractors should be valid on the last date of opening of tender. In case only the last date of opening of tender is extended, the enlistment of contractor should be valid on the original date of opening of tenders.

2) The following Scanned copies are required to be uploaded : - (i) Copy of GST Registration/ upto date file returned proof (ii) Registration of enlistment in the appropriate class (iii) Scanned Copy of EMD. (iv) Scanned copy of ESI and EPF registration. (v) Copy of Pan Number. (vi) Valid Mobile Number, WhatsApp Number and E-mail ID.

(3) EMD's in the form of DD/FDR in favour of EE, CD-IV may be submitted in the O/o EE, CD-IV physically upto 3.00 P.M. in the date of opening tender. If the same shall not be deposited physically, the tender shall be treated as cancelled. The Detail of above mentioned work can be seen and downloaded from website <http://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in> 4) No manual tender shall be accepted; only tender submitted through e-procurement portal shall be considered.

Sd/-
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER

DIP/Shabdarth/0640/19-20

UTTARAKHAND POWER CORPORATION LIMITED
Corporate Identity No. UA40109UP2001SGC025867/2356
Victoria Cross Vijeta Gabar Singh Urja Bhawan, Kanwali Road, Dehradun
Tel. No. 0135- 2763672-75, Fax No. 0135- 2760289, Website: www.uktenders.gov.in

CORRIGENDUM TO E-TENDER NOTICE
Following e-tenders invited by this office are hereby extended due to unavoidable reasons as under:-

Sl. No.	Tender Specification No.	Name of Item	Last Date & time of online request for Tender and submission of tender in online & offline mode	Date of opening of Part-I of tender in online & offline mode
1.	CCP-II/2/2019-20	11kv Tri Vector Meter	23.09.2019 upto 17.00 hrs.	24.09.2019 at 15.30 hrs.
2.	CCP-II/9/2019-20	33kV Vacuum Circuit Breaker	23.09.2019 upto 17.00 hrs.	24.09.2019 at 15.45 hrs.

For further details, please visit our website www.uktenders.gov.in.

Superintending Engineer
Corporate (Contract & Procurement-II)

No.: 482/EE(CM)/UPCL/A-2 Dt. 12.09.2019

SAVE ELECTRICITY IN THE INTEREST OF THE NATION, Use LED Bulb to Save Electricity
(Toll Free No. 1800 419 0405 or 1912) "Pay Electricity Bill Online 24 x 7 from www.upcl.org" (For information on Electricity theft, Informer may report to Toll Free No. 1800 180 4185 / Fax No. 0135-2760911)

Office of the Executive Engineer
Construction Division-2, P.W.D. Bijnor (HQ-Najibabad)
Short Term E-Procurement Inviting Tender

No. 1287/E-Nivida Suchana/19-20 **Date: 06.09.19**
On behalf of the Governor of UP, tenders for following work are invited by the Executive Engineer, C.D-2, PWD Bijnor (HQ- Najibabad) online on website <http://etender.up.nic.in> from Contractors registered in **Signature Category from Chief Engineer HQ-2, Engineer-in-Chief Office with UP PWD, Lucknow with UP PWD from 21-09-2019 at 10.00 am to 27-09-2019 at 5.00 pm.** Technical bid /Prequalification of tenders shall be opened on 28-09-2019 at 2.00 pm in office of undersigned by tender committee in presence of authorised representatives/bidders who wish to be present. Financial bid of the tenders' who qualify in technical bid shall be opened on date and time as specified by a notice in the office of undersigned. In case of Government holiday the required process shall be carried out on next working day.

Sl No	DISTRICT	Name of Work	Estimated Cost (Rs. in Lac)	Bid Security (Rs. in Lacs)	Time of completion of the work (including rainy season)	Cost of Tender documents including GST (Rs.)	Address of Executive Engineer Executing the work	Address of Superintending Engineer	Address of Chief Engineer
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1.	Bijnor	Road safety work at Moradabad Haridwar Dehradun road, (S.H. No-49) CH. 36.00 to 62.600	15.00	1.50 (Tender will be accepted only net banking)	01 month	500.00 + 300.00 + 54.00 = 854.00 (Security will be accepted only net banking)	Construction Division-2, P.W.D., Bijnor (Hq- Najibabad)	Rampur Circle P.W.D. Rampur	Chief Engineer Moradabad Zone, P.W.D., Moradabad

➤ The rate adopted in the BOQ all other taxes but excluding GST Taxes.

➤ Bids must be accompanied with the copy of UTR (Unique Transaction Receipt) bid security (EMD) and tender cost of the amount specified for the work in the table Bid security and tender cost should be deposited online only by net banking.

➤ Rules/conditions & details of the tender are available at website <http://etender.up.nic.in>.

Sd/-
Executive Engineer,
Construction Division-2,
P.W.D. Bijnor (Hq-Najibabad)

UPID/143743 dt. 11.09.2019
www.up.gov.nic.in

SEARCH FOR MISSING

General Public is hereby informed that a boy namely **Meen Bahadur S/o Sh. Bal Bahadur OLI R/o Village-Dodhara Chandani No. 10, P.S. Gatta Ghat, District-Kanchanpur, Nepal Age-20 years, Height-5'4", Face-Round, Built-Fat Complexion-Fair, Identification-Mentally Weak Wearing-White Colour Shandow T-Shirt & White Colour Half Pant** has been missing since dated 15.08.2019 from the area of PS. Patparganj Ind. Area, , Delhi. In this regard a vide DD No. 47-A Dated 16.08.2019 has been lodged at P.S. Patparganj Ind. Area, Delhi

Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the boy but no clue has come to light so far. If any one having any information about this boy please inform undersigned.

E-mail : cic@cbi.gov.in
Ph.: 011-24368638, 24368641 **SHO**
Fax : 011-24368639 **P.S. Patparganj Ind Area, Delhi**
DP/6982/ED/19 **Ph.: 011-22146490,22146491**

GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR
DIRECTORATE OF TOURISM
NOTICE INVITING EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
Imphal, the 7th of September, 2019
No.4/463/2014-DTSM(pt): In pursuance of the approval conveyed by the Government vide letter No.27/16/2010-TSM(pt II), dated 07/09/2019, the Directorate of Tourism, Government of Manipur invites "Expression of Interest (EOI) for Leasing and Development of Imphal Hotel, Under Public Private Partnership (PPP) Model On Built-Operate-Lease-Transfer (BOLT) basis"
Expression of Interest (EOI) with detailed documents containing information on eligibility, dates and timelines, required formats etc shall be available in the Government website www.manipurtenders.gov.in, www.manipur.gov.in, and www.manipurtourism.gov.in from **09/09/2019** onwards.
Further, the bidding shall be e-bidding and all interested firms and companies etc shall apply the bid online only.

(W.Ibohah Singh)
Director , Tourism, Manipur

NORTHERN RAILWAY
E-TENDER NOTICE
No. M-I/Certification of ROH depot/MB/19 Dated: 12.09.2019
Sr. DME acting for and on behalf of the President of India invites E-Tender against Tender No. M-I-Cert-ROH-MB-19 Closing Date / Time 09.10.2019, 15.00 Hrs. Bidders will be able to submit their original / revised bids upto closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tender, and any such manual offer received shall be ignored. Information regarding this tender is available on website www.iimps.gov.in on internet & can be seen /downloaded. The tenders bidders will have to make payment towards Tender document cost and Earnest Money against this tender through online payment modes like Net Banking, Debit/ Credit cards etc. available on IREPS portal. Manual / offline mode of payment through demand draft, Banker's cheque, Cash Deposit receipts etc. are not permitted.

Name of work	Certification of 5-S, ISO-50001:2011 & ISO-3834 for ROH depot Moradabad
Tender Type	Open Bidding system Single Packet System
Tender closing Date & time	09.10.2019 15:00 hrs. Date of Uploading Tender Upto 17.09.2019
Pre-Bid Required	No Pre-Bid Query Date Time Not Applicable
Advertised Value	Rs. 9,56,000/- Tendering Section C AND W
Bidding Style	Single Rate for Tender Bidding Unit %age Above/ Below / At par
Earnest Money (Rs.)	Rs. 19,200/- Validity of Offer (Days) 45 Days
Tender Doc. Cost (Rs.)	2000/- Period of work 36 Months
Bidding start date	25.09.2019 Are Joint venture (JV) firms allowed to bid 2943/19

SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE

NORTHERN RAILWAY
e-TENDER NOTICE
The Sr. Divisional Commercial Manager/ Coaching, Northern Railway, Delhi division, New Delhi invites e-tender for the following work:

1 Name of work with its location	Commercial Advertisement Rights through permissible media at New Delhi and Delhi Railway Stations (Station Advertising Zones) over Delhi Division for a period of five years
2 Details of railway stations/Zones	E-tender Notice Number Stations Publicity Station 33-2019 to Publicity Station 41-2019 (Separate Bids are to be submitted for each Zone) New Delhi Zone-A, B, C, F & G Delhi Zone-A, B, C & D
3 Date of Tender Opening	11.10.2019 upto 11:00 hrs
4 Approximate cost of work	As per NIT on iimps.gov.in
5 Cost of Tender document including 18% GST	As per NIT on iimps.gov.in
6 Earnest Money Deposit	www.iimps.gov.in
7 Website particulars where complete details of tender document can be seen	https://iimps.gov.in/

No. 7PUB/TN/Bulk Advt Rights/DLI/2011 Dated : 11 September 2019 2933/2019

SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE

HARYANA IRRIGATION & WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
"E-Tender Notice"
E-Tender are invited for providing different categories of Skilled [Clerk-cum-Computer Operator, Canal Patwari, Driver (JCB Machine, Truck, Jeep) etc.] for office works in Division office and unskilled Manpower (Helper, Chowkidar Sweeper-cum-Chowkidar Beldar, Peon etc.) for working in office & maintenance/watching of Irrigation channels in the Jurisdiction of B/Garh Water Services Division, Bahadurgarh from Contractors/Society registered in Labour Deptt. for supply who are authorized to provide workmen Skilled/Unskilled Manpower under Haryana Outsourcing Policy and whose antecedents are proper, under the Law. The requirement of workmen may be increased or decreased at any stage of the contract as per requirement.
Bid form will be sold through e-tendering. The Bid will be opened on 24.09.2019 at 3.00 P.M. in the office of the undersigned.
For further details visit website: <http://www.etenders.hry.nic.in>

Sd/-
Executive Engineer,
Water Services Division,
Bahadurgarh.

78684/HRY

POLICE HEADQUARTERS, CHHATTISGARH, SECTOR 19, NAVA RAIPUR, ATAL NAGAR
Notice Inviting Tender
No. PHQ/SIB/Sec-09/02437-A/2019 **Raipur, Dated: 11/09/2019**
Sealed tenders are being invited by the Director General of Police, Chhattisgarh on behalf of Governor of Chhattisgarh from Original equipment manufacturer (OEM) or their authorized dealer (only one) for the following item.

Sl. No.	Name of Item	Qty.	EMD in Rs.
1	Hard Disk Imager (Software) On Site Disk Examination System for Search & Seizure in Digital Crime	1	5,700=00
2.	CDR/TDR Analysis Software	2	18,000=00

The tender offer in the prescribed tender form along with all the relevant documents sealed and completed in all the respect must be submitted as per the schedule below.

SCHEDULE FOR TENDER

a) Address for submission of tender document :-	Dy. Inspector General of Police, (SIB/ANO) Room No.113, Police Headquarters, Sector-19, Nava Raipur, Atal Nagar (Chhattisgarh)
b) Date and time of pre bid conference	At 16.00 hrs. On 03-10-2019
c) Last date & time for availability of tender forms	01/10/2019 till 05.00 pm
d) Last Date and time for receipt of tender :-	03/10/2019 till 03.00 pm
e) Place, Time and Date of opening Technical Bid :-	Dy. Inspector General of Police, (SIB/ANO) Room No.113/Meeting Hall, Police Headquarters, Sector-19, Nava Raipur, Atal Nagar (Chhattisgarh) 03/10/2019 at 16.00 hrs.
f) Place, Time and Date of opening Financial Bid :-	Shall be intimated later.
g) Date till which the Bid to remain valid :-	120 days from the scheduled date of submission of the Bid.

Note:- 1. In case of tender opening date being declared as holiday, tenders will be opened on next working day.
2. Tender documents can be downloaded from our website www.cgpolice.gov.in and at the time of submission of document tender fee Rs. 5000/- will be paid in the form of DD of State Bank of India/Scheduled Bank (other than Cooperative Bank) payable at Raipur in favour of Assistant Inspector General of Police (Accounts), Police Headquarters, Chhattisgarh, Nava Raipur, Atal Nagar, Or State Govt. Challan of Rs. 500/- to be deposited in the Head of A/c-0055-Police-800- other receipt. Tender fee is non refundable and can't exempted in any condition.

Sd/-
Dy. Inspector General of Police (SIB/ANO)
For-Director General of Police

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SEARCH FOR MISSING

General public is hereby informed that a Male namely **Ranjeet Sharma S/o Sh. Lakhan Sharma, R/o H.No. B-344, Gali No. 16, Ramesh Enclave, Kirari, Delhi, Age : 35 yrs., Height : 5'6", Complexion : Shallow, Face : Round, Wearing : Blue Colour Pant-Shirt and Chappal in Feet**, has been missing / kidnapped since **25.08.2019** from the area of PS. Aman Vihar. In this regard a case **DD. No. 37-A dated 28.08.2019** has been lodged at PS. Aman Vihar, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by local Police to trace out the missing / kidnapped Male but no clue has come to light so far. If anyone have any information about this missing / kidnapped Male please inform undersigned.
Website: <http://cbi.nic.in>, Email: cic@cbi.gov.in, Ph.: 011-24368638, 24368641, Fax : 011-24368639

SHO
PS. Aman Vihar, Delhi
Ph.: 011-23014046, 23015218

DP/3260/RD/19.

SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED FEMALE

General public is hereby informed that this female namely **Rubi Jahan D/o Late Sokat Ali R/o A-44, Bhagya Vihar, Mubarak Pur, New Delhi Age : 25 years, Height : 4'6", Complexion : Sallow, Face : Round, wearing white colour suit and white colour salwr**, has been missing/kidnapped since 04.09.19 from the area of P.S. Prem Nagar, Delhi. In this regard DD No. 79-A dated 04.09.2019 u/s 363 IPC has been registered at P.S. Prem Nagar, Delhi.

Any person having any information or clue about this missing/Kidnapped female may kindly inform to the following.

E-mail: cic@cbi.gov.in
Website: <http://cbi.nic.in> **SHO : P.S. Prem Nagar, Delhi**
Fax: 24368639, Ph. : 011-25489080
Tel.: 24368638/24368641

DP/3253/RD/19

CCS HARYANA AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY, HISAR
(Established by Parliament Act 16 of 1970)
TENDER NOTICE
CCS Haryana Agricultural University, Hisar is inviting Tender for following work:
Supply, Installation and Commissioning and maintenance of Landscaping, Water Bodies, Water Management, Tree House, Cafeteria, Gazebo, Lights, Furniture, Statues/Sculpture, Paths etc. for Agritourism Centre on turnkey basis.
For detail information and e-tendering schedule, please visit the website <http://etenders.hry.nic.in> and University website <http://hau.ac.in>.
Date of start of bid preparation and submission 18.09.2019 (09.00 hours) and Closing on

SECTOR WATCH

AVIATION

737 MAX to fly again in India only after DGCA gives clean chit

PRANAV MUKUL & PARTH KHATAU
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

INDIA'S AVIATION safety regulator will conduct its own validation tests of the grounded Boeing 737 MAX aircraft before it is given a clean chit to operate in the country's skies, a senior official told *The Indian Express*. Arun Kumar, Director General of DGCA, pointed out that while it was still early days to spell out India's plan of action, an independent validation will be done to ensure all safety parameters are met.

Currently, SpiceJet — one of the world's biggest customers for 737 MAX 8 aircraft with 155 on order — has taken delivery of 13 such planes so far, all of which are grounded.

“We wish to do our due diligence to ensure complete safety of passengers when the aircraft eventually returns to operation. All pilots flying this aircraft will have to train on the simulator before flying the plane on an operational flight,” Kumar said.

Earlier this month, the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) indicated that it would also conduct its own flight tests before clearing the aircraft, which saw two fatal accidents in a span of five months, killing a total of 346 people on board. EASA has reportedly laid down certain parameters for the aircraft to fulfill, upon which it will approve the plane for flight in the European Union.

Last month, Kumar told reporters that India will take a “conservative” approach in lifting the flying ban on the 737 MAX. “The Boeing 737 MAX aircraft has done more than 800 hours of test flight since it was grounded,” he had said.

Officials indicated that the contours of India's plan pertaining to 737 MAX will be clearer once the model is re-certified by the US Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), adding that Boeing was likely to approach the US watchdog for re-certification by October.

Any new aircraft or engine model is certified by the regulator of the country where the product has been manufactured — in this case the United States. “Therefore, it is important to wait for FAA to re-certify the aircraft,” an official said.

In March, India had grounded the aircraft model “until appropriate modifications and safety measures are undertaken to ensure their safe operations”. Notably, India's move had come shortly after EASA announced suspension of flight operations of Boeing's flagship narrowbody aircraft across Europe.

While officials of the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) did not specify a timeline for the return of the 737 MAX, SpiceJet had initially expected it to come back into service by July-August, according to its understanding with Boeing.

However, now it expects the plane to be back by end of this calendar year. According to some reports, Boeing expects the global ban on the aircraft to be lifted in phases across the world, with various regulators clearing the plane to fly gradually.

As per an AFP report, Boeing chief executive officer Dennis Muilenburg said the company was still working through a number of questions with the FAA and other aviation watchdogs but that supported the manufacturers timeline for an early fourth quarter return to service.

PANEL TO BE HEADED BY KRIS GOPALAKRISHNAN

Regulation of non-personal data: MeitY sets up new committee

PRANAV MUKUL & SUNNY VERMA
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

GIVEN THAT the draft bill on personal data protection kept non-personal data out of its purview, the government is looking at ways to regulate such category of data that includes community data and anonymised data. To this effect, the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) has set up a committee — headed by Infosys co-founder Kris Gopalakrishnan — to work on a data governance framework and suggest ways to regulate non-personal data.

Recommendations of a committee under Justice BN Srikrishna, which had submitted its report and a draft Personal Data Protection Bill in July 2018, pertained to a personal data protection law, whereas the latest exercise by MeitY aims to look at non-personal data.

Such data is usually held by large commercial entities like cab-aggregators, e-commerce compa-

SRIKRISHNA PANEL REPORT ON PERSONAL DATA

■ Recommendations of a committee under Justice BN Srikrishna, which had submitted its report and a draft Personal Data Protection Bill in July 2018, pertained to a personal data protection law, whereas the latest exercise by MeitY aims to look at non-personal data

■ In addition to Gopalakrishnan, other members on the proposed Committee include NASSCOM President Debjani Ghosh, National Informatics Centre DG Neeta Verma, Avanti Finance CTO Lalitesh Katragadda, and two senior govt officials among others

nies, etc that use the community data generated on their platforms to improve their services. This is in addition to anonymised datasets also being provided to government bodies and departments by large internet companies to assist in policymaking.

Through this exercise, MeitY plans to understand whether access to community and anonymised data should be unfettered and the implications it could have on personal data protection.

Other members on the proposed Committee include NASS-

COM President Debjani Ghosh, National Informatics Centre DG Neeta Verma, Avanti Finance CTO Lalitesh Katragadda, and two senior government officials among others. The panel may co-opt other members for their specific inputs, the Centre said. Among the terms of reference (ToR) of the Committee is to “make specific suggestions for consideration of the Central Government on regulation of Non-Personal Data.”

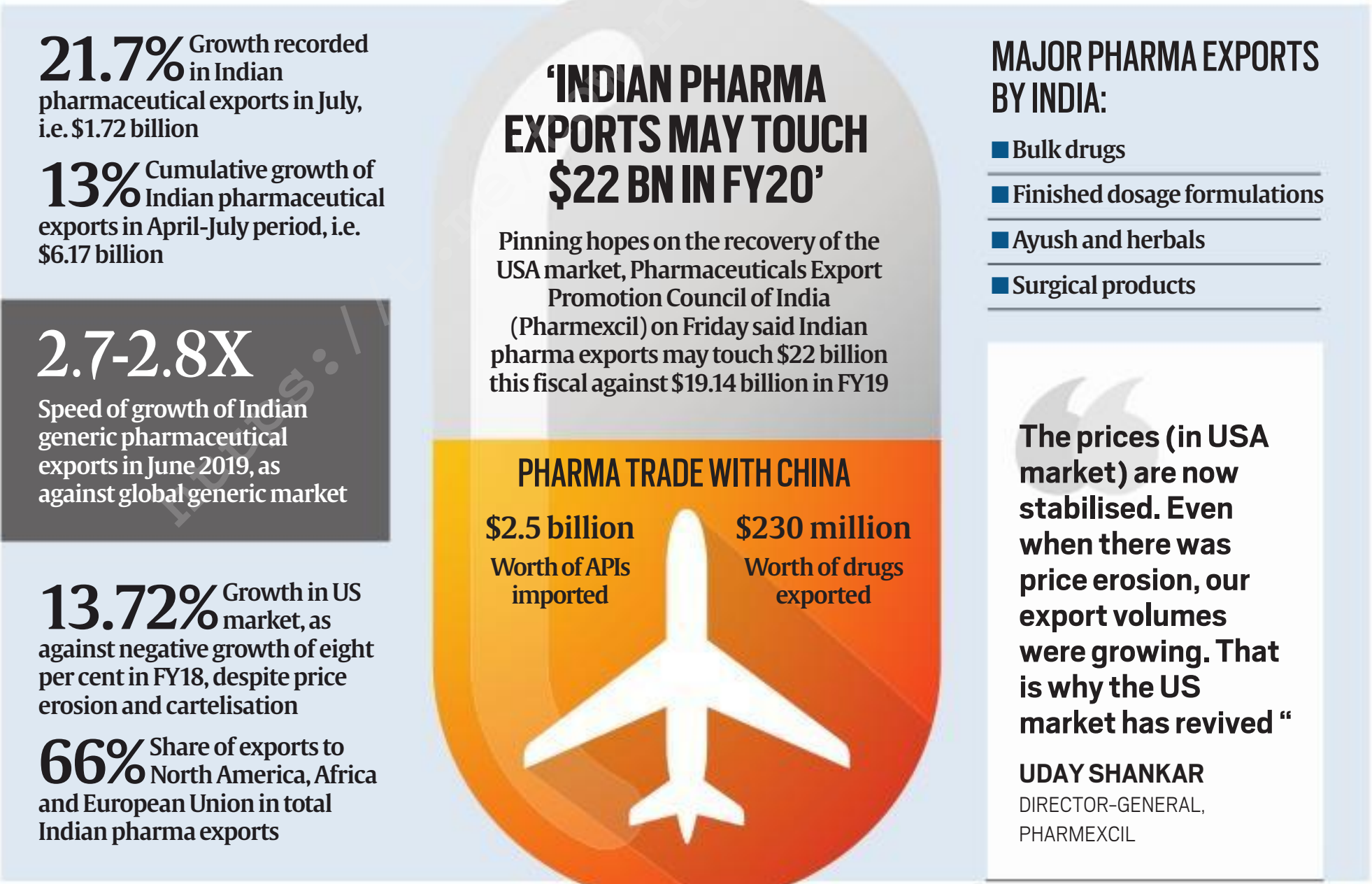
Notably, even as the recommendations of the Srikrishna committee took cognisance of non-personal data, the draft

Personal Data Protection Bill submitted by the panel excluded anonymised data from purview of the draft law.

In light of this, the newly-formed committee under Gopalakrishnan is also expected to look at the role of the proposed Data Protection Authority, and whether non-personal data will also be regulated by it.

“The (Justice Srikrishna) Committee also took cognisance of community data as relating to a group dimension of privacy and an extension of data protection framework. Such data that has been sourced from multiple individuals is akin to a common natural resource where ownership is difficult to ascertain due to its diffused nature across several individual entities,” the Centre said Friday.

Elaborating further on community data, the committee argued that “degree of involvement of larger community in building the body of data” challenges the notion of “individual control over personal data”, the Ministry said in its order.



Khadim India stock up 15% on opening of unit in Bangladesh

ENSE ECONOMIC BUREAU
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

SHARES OF Khadim India Ltd surged over 15 per cent to Rs 269.70 on the Sensex Friday, extending its rally for third straight day after the firm announced opening up of a subsidiary in Bangladesh. In three days, the stock has rallied over 45 per cent.

On September 10, Khadim informed the BSE it had incorporated a wholly-owned subsidiary in Bangladesh in the name of ‘Khadim Shoe Bangladesh Limited’. The firm was registered with Registrar of Joint Stock Companies and Firms, Bangladesh on September 5, and proof of registration was received on September 9, a BSE filing said.

Meanwhile, the firm told exchanges on September 11 that its non-executive, non-independent director Namrata Ashok Chotrani resigned from the board of directors with immediate effect.

‘On tap’ licence regime: RBI proposes ₹200 cr capital for small finance banks

ENSE ECONOMIC BUREAU
MUMBAI, SEPTEMBER 13

THE RESERVE Bank of India (RBI) on Friday proposed a minimum equity capital of Rs 200 crore to set up a small finance bank (SFB) under the ‘on tap’ licence regime to provide saving vehicles for “the unserved and underserved sections of the population and supply credit to small units and small and marginal farmers”.

Unveiling the draft guidelines for ‘on tap’ licensing of SFBs in the private sector, the RBI said individ-

WORKING GROUP TO REVIEW AGRI CREDIT

Replace interest subvention scheme with DBT, avoid loan waivers: RBI panel

ENSE ECONOMIC BUREAU
MUMBAI, SEPTEMBER 13

THE RESERVE Bank of India's Internal Working Group (IWG) to review agricultural credit has proposed a host of steps, including replacing interest subvention scheme with Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) and crop loans only through kisan credit card (KCC) mode to boost and improve the reach of institutional credit even, as it asked the central and State governments to avoid loan waivers.

The IWG, headed by RBI Deputy Governor MK Jain, recommended that the interest subvention scheme be replaced with DBT to targeted beneficiaries, i.e. small and marginal farmers, tenant farmers, sharecroppers, oral lessees and landless labourers as individual borrowers or through SHG/JLG model with overall limit of Rs 3 lakh per individual farmer.

It said there is a need to address the issue of sanctioning of agricultural loans against gold as collateral. At present, such loans are not separately flagged in core banking solution (CBS) platform of banks. “Hence, banks should develop an MIS (management information system) to flag agricultural loans sanctioned against gold as collateral in CBS in order to segregate such loans for effective monitoring of end use of funds.”

In order to curb the mis-utilisation of interest subsidy, banks should provide crop loans, eligible for interest subvention, only through KCC mode, it added. “Banks should be allowed to give consumption loans to farmers up to a sanctioned limit of Rs 1 lakh under priority sector lending (PSL), provided banks are able to obtain collateral security and are satisfied with their repayment capacity based on the cash flows of the borrowers,” the IWG said.

The government should set up a federal institution, on the lines of GST Council, having participation from both the Centre as well as the states to suggest and implement reforms in the field of agriculture, the RBI group further said. The Jain panel stated that the central and state governments should undertake a holistic review of the agricultural policies and their implementation, as well as evaluate the effectiveness of current subsidy policies with regard to agri inputs and credit in a manner which will improve the overall viability of agriculture in a sustainable manner. “Loan waivers should be avoided,” it said.

As per 2019 data, the number of operative KCCs is approximately 66.2 million and as per Agriculture Census 2015-16, the

PROPOSALS BY RBI'S IWG

■ Sanction agricultural loans against gold as collateral

■ Set up a credit guarantee fund for the agriculture sector

■ Set up institution on lines of GST Council to suggest and implement reforms in agriculture

number of land holdings were approximately 145 million, which implies that only 45 per cent of farmers possessed operative KCCs. However, there may be farmers with multiple KCCs and the actual coverage may be lower.

The panel said the Centre, with the help of state governments, should develop a centralised database capturing details related to crops cultivated, cropping pattern, output, sown/irrigated area, health of soil, natural calamity, etc. “Besides, farmer-wise details like identity, land records, loan availed, subsidy given, insurance and details of crop cultivated, etc. should also be captured.”

It added that the central and state governments should set up a credit guarantee fund for the agriculture sector, on the lines of credit guarantee schemes implemented in the MSME sector. “At present, there is no database of the Indian agriculture sector due to which the planning/ policy formulation lacks effectiveness and is difficult to monitor,” it said.

Among other measures to improve the reach of institutional credit, the IWG said the Centre should push state governments to complete the digitisation process and update land records in a time bound manner. “State governments should give access to banks to digitised land records in order to verify land title and create charge online. In such states, banks should not insist on submission of land title documents.”

It recommended that states having a highly restrictive legal framework should be encouraged to reform their legal framework on the basis of Model Land Leasing Act proposed by NITI Aayog/Land Licensed Cultivators’ Act, 2011 of the state of Andhra Pradesh so that formal lending to tenant farmers can improve.

“Aggressive efforts are needed to improve institutional credit delivery through technology driven solutions to reduce the extent of financial exclusion of agricultural households,” it said.

‘NPAs rose in states that announced loan waivers’

ENSE ECONOMIC BUREAU
MUMBAI, SEPTEMBER 13

THE RBI'S IWG to review agricultural credit has said non-performing assets (NPAs) level rose for all states that announced farm loan waiver programme in 2017-18 and 2018-19. On the other hand, almost all other states (with the exception of Bihar, Odisha and Haryana) have shown either no material change in their NPA level or have actually registered a decline between 2016-17 and 2017-18. Taken to-

gether, this could be indicative of the presence of moral hazard, with borrowers defaulting strategically in anticipation of loan waiver, it said.

It said in Maharashtra, Karnataka, Uttar Pradesh, Punjab and Bihar, the share of NPAs is higher than the share of outstanding in 2017-18, implying a higher incidence of NPA in these states. At the other end of the spectrum are states of Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Andhra Pradesh and Nagaland that exhibit lower NPA than the national average, the panel said.

uals and professionals with 10 years experience in banking, existing non-banking financial companies (NBFCs), micro finance institutions (MFIs) and local area banks in the private sector, which are controlled by residents, can opt for conversion into SFBs.

It further said proposals from public sector entities and large industrial houses, business groups and autonomous boards/bodies will not be entertained.

An SFB is primarily set up to undertake basic banking activities of acceptance of deposits and lending to unserved and under-

served sections, including small business units, small and marginal farmers, micro and small industries, and unorganised sector entities. The objectives of setting up of SFBs is to further financial inclusion and supply of credit “through high technology-low cost operations,” the draft said.

“The minimum paid-up voting equity capital for small finance banks shall be Rs 200 crore, except for such small finance banks which are converted from UCBS,” said the draft on which the central bank has sought comments from the stakeholders by October 12.

Aug merchandise exports fall 6.05%; trade deficit narrows

ENSE ECONOMIC BUREAU
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

INDIA'S MERCHANDISE exports dropped over 6 per cent to \$26.13 billion in August from the same month in 2018 due to a drop in shipments of petroleum, gems and jewellery, engineering goods, textile, chemicals and rice, showed data released by the Commerce Ministry on Friday. In August 2018, the country had exported goods worth \$2781 billion.

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ports also dropped 13.45 per cent to \$39.58 billion last month from \$45.73 billion in August 2018.

Exports of meat, dairy and poultry products saw the highest fall, dropping nearly 28 per cent to \$293.28 billion from \$407.24 billion in the year-ago period.

Shipments of petroleum products, now \$3.32 billion, declined 10.73 per cent from \$3.71 billion, while plastic and linoleum products saw 16.94 per cent decrease

in exports to \$645.29 million in August from \$776.91 million in the same month last year.

Engineering goods exports declined 9.35 per cent to \$6.55 billion from \$7.23 billion in August last year, while organic chemicals, too experienced an over 9 per cent drop in shipments last month.

Gems and jewellery shipments dropped 3.54 per cent to \$3.21 billion from \$3.33 billion, while drugs and pharmaceuticals ex-

ports declined 0.19 per cent to \$1.68 billion last month.

Exports of products like cotton yarn, fabrics and hand loom products dropped 22.41 per cent to \$832.13 million from around \$1.07 billion, while man-made yarn and fabrics dropped around 13.56 per cent to \$397.22 million from \$459.55 million. Rice exports also declined 23.95 per cent to \$415.12 million last month from \$545.85 million in August 2018.

However, exports of products like iron ore, electronic goods, spices, marine products and mica, coal and other ores and minerals grew in August, with iron ore shipments experiencing the largest growth — over 350 per cent — to

\$282.08 million from \$61.77 million. Electronic goods exports grew 45.89 per cent to \$1.02 billion from \$699.13 million.

India is estimated to have reduced its overall merchandise and services trade deficit by around 20 per cent to \$40.89 billion between April and August 2019, compared to \$51.13 billion during the same period in 2018.

“Such a contraction in exports is a reflection of uncertainties, sluggish global demand and rising tariff war,” said Federation of Indian Export Organisations president Sharad Kumar Saraf. “The softening of crude, steel and other commodities prices also pulled down exports,” he said.

‘Faceless’ tax filing: E-assessment scheme notified

ENSE ECONOMIC BUREAU
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

ROLLING OUT its Budget announcement, the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) has notified the ‘e-assessment scheme’ to facilitate faceless assessment of income-tax returns through completely electronic communication between tax officials and taxpayers. In case of a modification, an opportunity for a personal hearing will be provided to the taxpayer and such hearing shall be conducted “exclusively through video conferencing”, the notification, released on Thursday, said.

Under the scheme, it is proposed that an “automated allocation system” will use an algorithm for randomised allocation of cases by using technological tools, including artificial intelligence and machine learning. The scheme has proposed creation of a national e-assessment centre, which will serve notices to assessee specifying issues for selection of their case for assessment and after a response is received from them within 15 days, the centre will al-

EXPLAINED Aimed to be a ‘paradigm shift’, but could take time

THE E-ASSESSMENT scheme, termed as a “paradigm shift” by the Finance Minister, will eliminate personal contact between taxpayers and tax officials in scrutiny of assessments. The move is aimed at eliminating “certain undesirable practices on the part of tax officials”, as stated by the FM in her Budget speech.

However, tax experts pointed out that multiple nodal bodies could make the scheme complex for common taxpayers to understand. In addition, the appeals mechanism will continue to have personal representation.

locate the case to an assessing officer using an automated system.

“A person shall not be required to appear either personally or through authorised representative in connection with any proceedings under this scheme (e-assessment) before the income-tax authority at the National e-assessment Centre or Regional e-assessment Centre or any unit set up under this scheme,” the CBDT said.

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman had announced the proposal in her Budget speech, calling it “a paradigm shift”. She had said the system of scrutiny assessments in the I-T Department involves a high level of personal interaction between the taxpayer and the department, leading to “certain undesirable practices on the part of tax officials”.

“...a scheme of faceless assess-

ment in electronic mode involving no human interface is being launched this year in a phased manner. To start with, such e-assessments shall be carried out in cases requiring verification of certain specified transactions or discrepancies,” she had said.

The new e-assessment regime will be voluntary and taxpayers can take a call on whether to conduct their dealings over the e-system or through the existing procedure of manual submission of documents by visiting the tax office. Once taxpayers register themselves on the official I-T web portal, they will get a confirmation through a text message as well as an e-mail. The functionality to conduct the e-proceedings would be available for all types of notices, questionnaires and letters issued under various sections of the I-T Act, the CBDT said.

Experts said that though the move will help reduce personal contact between taxpayer and administration during scrutiny assessment, appeal process would still involve personal representation. “It's a welcome move and the process has been significantly

thought through. Naturally, in an initiative of this kind the process will evolve and get refined over a period of time,” Frank D'Souza, partner and leader—Corporate & International Tax, PwC India, said.

“With the advent of technology, gradually taxpayers have gotten used to e-filing of income tax return. Though aimed at easing the process of assessment for taxpayers, multiple nodal bodies such as national e-assessment centres along with regional centres and assessment, verification, technical and review units, set up to facilitate e-assessments could initially make the scheme and procedures complicated for a common taxpayer to comprehend ... post completion of scrutiny assessments under electronic mode, appeal mechanism would continue to be done through personal representation or appointed counsel.

“Some aspects like assessment years to which the scheme would be made applicable, CBDT's risk management strategy, etc need to be clarified ...,” Nangia Advisors (Andersen Global) director Sandeep Jhunjhunwala said.

M&M extends plant shutdown by 3 days

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MUMBAI/NEW DELHI,
SEPTEMBER 13

WITH RETAIL sales not picking up, Mahindra & Mahindra (M&M) has extended its plant shutdown period by three days as demand remains weak and inventory at dealers is still higher than normal.

The company had last month announced it would keep its plants shut for 8 to 14 days in the July-September quarter.

In a stock exchange filing, the Mumbai-based automaker said its automotive sector plants will be shut for an additional three days, while the farm equipment manufacturing plants will be shut for one-three days. This is

the second consecutive quarter in which M&M will be trimming production, following no production days for up to 13 days in April-June.

The announcement comes days after managing director Pawan Goenka warned of job losses if demand does not revive immediately.

“My worry is that if the industry does not turn back on a positive growth for the remaining part of the months this fiscal year, you may see more layoffs,” Goenka had said.

He had stressed that a GST cut before the festive season will help in revival of demand.

Retail sales continue to be in the slow lane, leaving dealers saddled with high inventory, while company stockyards are

also short of space. This has reduced dealers’ ability to take further stock, prompting manufacturers to shut down plant and cut production.

Earlier this month, Maruti Suzuki India announced it will shut down operations at its Gurgaon and Manesar plants for two days — September 7 and 9 — following a 36 per cent year-on-year decline in despatches, which was the 10th consecutive month of decline.

Separately, Tata Motors said it will continue block closures at its Pune plant in the first week of September.

In the April-June quarter too, Maruti Suzuki, Toyota, Honda Cars India and Tata Motors had cut production by 7-18 per cent year-on-year. **FE**

GST aid to states could continue till fiscal 2024-25

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NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

THE STATE governments’ goods and services tax (GST) revenue shortfall may continue to be compensated till financial year 2024-25, i.e. for three more years after fiscal 2021-22, the final year prescribed under the law.

However, for the post-FY22 period, the ‘shortfall’ would be estimated taking into account the fact that GST revenue buoyancy has been lower than expected.

This means the annual growth rate to be assured for states will be lower than the current 14 per cent, for the post-FY22 period.

This view seems to have emerged in the 15th Finance Commission which analysed the pros and cons of the compensation mechanism, including the “moral hazard” of guaranteeing certain revenue growth for states. A final decision, of course, will be taken by the GST Council, with which the Commission will converse at the former’s Goa meeting on September 20. Meanwhile, addressing a group of journalists here on Friday, Finance Commission chairman NK Singh hinted at a balanced approach when it comes to deciding how the states’ share of the divisible pool of taxes would be distributed among them. **FE**

NOTIFIED IN AUGUST

IRDAI launches Regulatory Sandbox for tech-led firms

ENSECONOMICBUREAU
MUMBAI, SEPTEMBER 13

INSURANCE REGULATORY and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) on Friday launched the Regulatory Sandbox system for innovative technology-led entities to enable them limited-scale testing of a new product or service before a wider-scale launch. The launch of the sandbox experiment may or may not involve some relaxation in a regulatory requirement, IRDAI said.

Regulatory Sandbox is an infrastructure that helps financial technology (FinTech) players live test their products or solutions, before getting the necessary regulatory approvals for a mass launch, saving start-ups time and cost. IRDAI will start receiving applications under Regulatory Sandbox from September 15 to October 14, 2019.

“IRDAI is delighted to offer Sandbox environment to up-coming InsureTech ideas and to nurture them within controlled ecosystem so that the Insurance sector in India becomes more competitive in offering world class products and services to customers,” IRDAI Chairman SC Khuntia said.

Sujay Banarji, Member—Distribution, IRDAI, said

WHAT IS REGULATORY SANDBOX

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■ The norms are aimed to strike a balance between orderly development of insurance sector on one hand and protection of interests of policyholders on the other

“Regulatory Sandbox will foster collaboration and further the interests of all stakeholders i.e. regulator, insurance companies, start-ups and end consumers”.

He urged insuretech firms to use the facility to test new products and services. The initiative was launched during the opening session of a workshop on Regulatory Sandbox organised by IRDAI in partnership with Confederation of Indian Industry.

The sandbox approach can be used to carve out a safe and conducive environment to experiment with innovative approaches (including FinTech solutions), and where the consequences of failure, if any, can be contained, the regulator said. It has created the regulatory sandbox with an objective to use in-

novative ideas to foster growth and increase the pace of most innovative companies, in a way that provides flexibility in dealing with regulatory requirements and at the same time focussing on policyholder protection.

However, no relaxation would be offered in respect of compliance with the Insurance Act, 1938, the IRDA Act, 1999 or any other applicable statutory provisions. The IRDAI (Regulatory Sandbox) Regulations, 2019 was notified last month. The regulations are aimed at striking a balance between orderly development of insurance sector on one hand and protection of interests of policyholders on the other, while at the same time facilitating innovation.

Cooperative Recruitment Board, Rajasthan, Jaipur

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Fax No.- 91-0141-2710072, Website : www.rajcrb.rajasthan.gov.in

F-8P (J.R.C.R.B./2019-20/ Date : 11.09.2019

Examination for recruitment to various posts in the Rajasthan State Co-operative Bank (Apex Bank) and various District Cooperative Banks.

The Cooperative Recruitment Board, Rajasthan, Jaipur, (hereinafter referred to as the Board) invites online applications for recruitment to the following posts: pertaining to The Rajasthan State Cooperative Bank Ltd. (Apex Bank), Jaipur and: various District level Central Cooperative Banks of the State:

S. No.	Name of Cooperative Bank	Total No. of Post wise Vacancies					Total
		Senior Manager	Manager (Manager Apex Bank/CCB)	Computer Programmer	Banking Assistant	Stenographer	
1.	The Rajasthan State Cooperative Bank Ltd. (Apex Bank)	6	12	-	29	-	47
2.	Various District level Central Cooperative Banks	-	102	10	553	3	668
	Total	6	114	10	582	3	715

- Note:** 1. Above table shows the summary of vacancies available in the different cooperative banks, details of which are available in the Board website www.rajcrb.rajasthan.gov.in. Cooperative Department Website www.rajsahakar.rajasthan.gov.in and Apex Bank Website www.rscb.org.in.
2. Post wise/bank wise details of reservations for the above vacancies are available in the detailed advertisement on the Board's website www.rajcrb.rajasthan.gov.in, Cooperative Department Website www.rajsahakar.rajasthan.gov.in and Apex Bank Website www.rscb.org.in.
3. The number of posts may be decreased/increased.
4. Post wise pay-scales and details of other emoluments are available in the detailed advertisement on the board's website www.rajcrb.rajasthan.gov.in, Cooperative Department Website www.rajsahakar.rajasthan.gov.in and Apex Bank Website www.rscb.org.in.
5. Categories of posts are - (i) Senior Manager - Apex Bank, (ii) Manager - (which includes Manager, Apex Bank and Manager, CCBs) (iii) Computer Programmer - CCBs, (iv) Banking Assistant - (which includes Banking Assistant, Apex Bank and Banking Assistant, CCBs), (v) Steno - CCBs.
6. The candidates are advised to visit Board's website regularly for updates, if any.

- 1. EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:-**
Minimum Education Qualifications required for the different posts as on 31.07.2019 are following:-
- A. SENIOR MANAGER:** An MBA degree from a university established by law in India or Two years' Post Graduate Diploma in Business Management with Graduation in any, subject or an equivalent degree recognized by the state Government. Knowledge of Computer is compulsory.
- B. MANAGER** - (which includes Manager-Apex Bank and Manager CCBs): A Graduate in any subject from a university established by law in India, or an equivalent qualification recognized by the Government, Knowledge of Computer is compulsory.
- C. COMPUTER PROGRAMMER:-**
(i) B.Tech/BE (Computer Science, IT, Electronics, Electronics and Telecommunication, Electronics and Communication, Electronics and Instrumentation)/MCA/M.Sc. (Computer Science) / M.Sc.(IT);
or
(ii) One Year Post Graduate Diploma in Computer Applications (PGDCA) with M.Sc.;
or
(iii) A Graduate Degree in Commerce/Economics/Science/Maths/ Statistics from any recognized University/Board with a Diploma (Three Year) in Computer Engineering.
or
(iv) A Graduate Degree in Commerce/Economics/Science/Maths/Statistics from a recognized University/Board with a Post Graduation degree MCA/M.Sc(Computer Science)/M.sc.(IT) AND
Experience:- - One year post qualification experience as on 31.07.2019 in software development; implementation and operations in addition to the above educational qualifications from any recognized institute of repute. Deep knowledge of Networking and RDMS (Relational Database Management System) is compulsory.
- D. BANKING ASSISTANT** (which includes Banking Assistant - Apex Bank and Banking Assistant - CCBs): A Graduate in any subject from a university established by law in India, or an equivalent qualification recognized by the Government. Knowledge of Computer is compulsory.
- E. Steno:-** A Graduate in any subject from a university established by law in India, or an equivalent qualification recognized by the Government. Knowledge of Computer is compulsory. AND 100 words per minute English shorthand and 80 words per minute hindi shorthand and 35 words typing speed per minute in Hindi and 40 words typing speed per minute in English,
2. **Age Limit:** Candidate should have a minimum age of 18 years but less than 40 years as on 31.07.2019.
Provisions regarding relaxation of upper age limit to different categories of applicants are available in the detailed advertisement on the Board' website.
3. **Selection Process & Scheme of Examination:**
Selections to each category of posts will be made on the basis of online examinations for the respective category of post. For detailed syllabus and scheme of examination and selection, applicants may see detailed advertisement/notices on the Board' website.
4. **Month & Place of Examination:**
Online Examination will be conducted tentatively during the month of : Hus November at various examination centres, information about which is available in the detailed advertisement/notices on the Board' website.
5. **Period of online registration/applications: From 12.09.2019 to 06-10-2019**
6. **Date of online examinations: November, 2019 (Tentative)**
7. **How to apply** -
1. Candidates are required to apply online through the website www.rajcrb.rajasthan.gov.in. The required examination fee shall also be deposited via online mode through the associated payment gateway on the website.
2. As the different cooperative banks are all independent cooperative institutions and appointing, authorities, candidates are required to indicate their preference(s) for banks of their choice while applying online.
3. Details regarding examination fee, mode of submitting applications, reservation of posts, relaxation in the upper age limit, information regarding various certificates, preference of appointments in various banks, scheme of examination and other relevant information are available on the Board's website www.rajcrb.rajasthan.gov.in. **Candidates must read all the instructions, detailed advertisement and other relevant notices regarding the recruitment on the Board Website**
4. Separate online examinations will be conducted for recruitment to each of the five categories of posts, namely, (i) Senior Manager - Apex Bank, (ii) Manager (iii) Computer Programmer :- CCBs, (iv) Banking Assistant, (v) Steno-CCBs. The board will recommend selection of candidates to the respective bank as per the merit list prepared on the basis of such online examinations for each category of posts and the preferences given by the candidates for various banks as the appointing authority in each case is the respective bank only.
8. In the event of any dispute arising regarding the recruitment process, the decision of the Board, Jaipur shall be final.

Sd/-
(Brajendra Rajoria)
Member Secretary

The Brihanmumbai Electric Supply & Transport Undertaking
(OF THE BRIHANMUMBAI MAHANAGARPALIKA)

TENDER NOTICE
e-tenders are invited for the supply of following items.
(1) 10(60) Amps., Single Phase Static Energy Meters with Optical Port, **(2)** 44991 - Annual Maintenance Contract for SCADA System,
Re-invited e-tenders
(3) 44293 - Display of Advertisements by Affixing Kiosks on Street Lighting Poles, **(4)** 44381 - Cable Fault Locating Van.
Note : For more details, log on to website <https://mahatenders.gov.in>
PRO/AAM(M)/75/2019 **GENERAL MANAGER**

BANGALORE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORT CORPORATION
Civil Engineering Department,
No..BMTCCO/CE/EE/662/2019-20 Dated:-11.09.19
E -PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTIFICATION No.13/19-20
Item rate tender is invited in two cover system for the work of **Establishment of vehicle inspection and certification center at Jadigenahalli, Bangalore.** Amount put to tender: **Rs. 1116.00 Lakhs.** EMD: **Rs. 11,16,000/-** as per Karnataka Transparency in Public procurement ordinance of 2000, and Act 2000 are invited from the Class-I Civil Contractors / Firms registered in Karnataka CPWD / MES and KPWD. In E-procurement the contractors / firms will have to upload all information's, documents and rates etc in website only. i.e. <https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in>. No documents will be accepted in person manually.
1. Receipt of tenders:- **11.11.19** Date of opening of tender :- **14.11.19**
2. Any other information required can be obtained from the office of the Executive Engineer during working hours or through website: <https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in>
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PROJECTS DEPARTMENT
Tender Enquiry No. : HO/Projects/DNMM/PF-1 Dated : 14-09-2019
NMDC Limited, A "NAVARATNA" Public Sector Company under Ministry of Steel, Govt. of India, invites sealed tenders from prospective bidders for the "Retrofitting of existing 116 tph Andritz make Pressure filters in 1.89 MTPA Iron Ore Beneficiation Plant at Donimalai, Karnataka, India" from experienced, reputed and competent Bidders.
The detailed NIT and Bid documents can be viewed and / or downloaded from 14-09-2019 to 14-10-2019 from following websites ;
1. NMDC website - <https://www.nmdc.co.in>
2. Central Public Procurement Portal - <https://www.eprocure.gov.in/> **epublish/app** and search tender through tender enquiry number.
3. MSTC portal - <https://www.mstcecommerce.com>
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LOT Polish Airlines launches direct flight from Delhi to Warsaw

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LOT POLISH Airlines on Thursday launched its direct Delhi-Warsaw flight that will operate five times during a week. The company is deploying Boeing 787 Dreamliner aircraft to operate Delhi-Warsaw flights on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday, while Warsaw-Delhi flight will operate on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

“There is a huge potential of air travels — almost 9.5 (million) passengers travelled between India and Europe and 3.3 (million) between Delhi and Europe during the last 12 months. Our convenient schedule, including an overnight eastbound flight, a comfortable on-board product and seamless connectivity via Warsaw, will certainly increase the flow of business and leisure travellers coming to and from India,” said Rafal Milczarski, CEO of LOT Polish Airlines.

Plea in HC against IBHFL

EXPRESSNEWSERVICE
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

AN NGO has moved the Delhi High Court seeking an in-depth, thorough and time-bound SIT investigation into alleged illegalities, violations and siphoning committed by the promoters of Indiabulls Housing Finance Ltd (IBHFL).

The plea came up for hearing before a bench headed by Chief Justice DN Patel and Justice CHari Shankar Friday, before whom the counsel for IBHFL objected to the allegations and said the present petition is an “organised and orchestrated” move to destroy our business.

The NGO, Citizens Whistle Blower Forum, represented by senior advocate Jayant Bhushan, argued that through its promoters and their various group firms and subsidiaries has been advancing dubious loans to companies owned by large corporate groups.

BRIEFLY

‘India’s growth much weaker than expected’

New Delhi: India's economic growth is “much weaker” than expected, thanks to corporate and environmental regulatory uncertainty and weaknesses in the shadow-banking sector, the International Monetary Fund (IMF) has said, reinforcing fears of a protracted slowdown. India's GDP growth hit a 25-quarter low of 5 per cent in the April-June period, as per official data. In its July forecast, the IMF had pegged India's FY20 growth at 7 per cent, having cut it from 7.3 per cent projected in April, although India will still be the world's fastest-growing major economy, it had said. **FE**

‘No additional tariffs on US pork, soybeans’

Shanghai: China will exempt some agricultural products from additional tariffs on US goods, including pork and soybeans, China's official Xinhua News Agency said Friday, in the latest sign of easing Sino-US tensions before a new round of trade talks. The US and China have both made conciliatory gestures, with China renewing purchases of US farm goods and US President Donald Trump delaying a tariff increase on certain Chinese goods. **REUTERS**

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DIET DIARY

Dates and their many benefits

From energy fuel to iron source, this fruit can play many roles, but watch out if you are a diabetic



BY ISHI KHOSLA

DATES GO back to 6,000 BC. They were cultivated in prehistoric Egypt and later, Arabs spread them around the world. They are rich in carbohydrates and low on fats and proteins. High on dietary fibre and minerals, dates are a useful source of energy — ten pitted dates provide about 230 kilocalories.

They make a useful fuel especially for sportsmen and those engaging in heavy physical labour. Usually, the sugar content in dates can be up to 70 per cent.

Carbohydrates in dates are invert sugars (fructose and glucose), the kind of sugar found in honey. This sugar helps in keeping the fruit moist and prevents crystal formation.

The soft dates are high on invert sugars; however, dry dates have a high content of sucrose.

Dates have a high percentage of dietary fibre (approximately 10 per cent) depending on the variety and degree of ripeness. Insoluble dietary fibre is the major fraction of dietary fibre in dates and it helps relieve constipation and promotes good bowel function. Dates also contain small amounts of pectin (soluble fibre), which has cholesterol-lowering properties.

They are also a rich source of iron. Other minerals they have include potassium, selenium, copper, calcium and magnesium. They help boost haemoglobin and are, therefore, useful in treating anaemia. Dates also contain phosphorus, cobalt, boron, fluorine, manganese, sodium and zinc. They are anti-cariogenic — useful in protecting teeth against decay — owing in part to their fluorine content. Unlike other fruits, dates are a modest source of vitamins B and C, most of which get destroyed on drying.

Rich in anti-oxidants and phytonutrients (anthocyanins, carotenoids and phenolics), dates have impressive free radical scavenging and anti-cancer activity. In addition, these help boost immune function and offer protection against cardiovascular disease, liver disease, cancers, cataracts and macular degeneration, cognitive impairment and Alzheimer's disease.

Some studies have shown their anti-ulcer, anti-mutagenic, anti-diarrhoea, anti-inflammatory and anti-oxidant properties as well. However, more research is needed to validate these claims.

Being high in sugar content, Dates are best taken as replacement of refined sugar or as a sweet option. While table sugar is chemically refined and has empty calories, dates are a rich source of valuable nutrients. Used in cereals, cakes, cookies and puddings, they add richness and can help enhance the nutrient density of food. They make for an excellent dessert — raw or stewed.

Include them as part of your sugar allowance but control how much you have, especially if you are watching your weight or are diabetic.

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Seeking an obesity cure, researchers turn to gut microbiome

The link between the gut and metabolic disease is a growing area of obesity research

ANAHAD O'CONNOR

DR ELAINE Yu, an endocrinologist at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, was inundated with volunteers when she put out a call a few years ago for overweight people who were willing to take part in a study of obesity and the microbiome.

People as far away as Alaska and Hawaii were eager to enrol. But the most surprising part was what they were willing to do. The study required them to swallow capsules containing stool to test whether gut bacteria from lean donors could improve their metabolic health. "We had this concern that it would be difficult to recruit people because there's a certain yuck factor with having to take a poop pill," Yu said. "But we had an overwhelming number of volunteers wanting to participate."

The link between the gut and metabolic disease is a growing area of obesity research. In recent years, scientists have uncovered clues that the microbiota, the community of trillions of microbes that live in the gut, plays a role in weight gain and metabolic disease. Now, in small studies, they are exploring whether they can spur changes in metabolism and potentially in body weight through a therapy known as fecal microbiota transplants, or FMT, which transfers gut bacteria from lean donors to the guts of obese patients.

The research, which is still in its infancy, has yielded mixed results and plenty of scepticism. Experts say fecal transplants will never replace diet, exercise, behavioural therapies and other standard interventions for obesity and Type 2 diabetes. But some believe they could lead to discovery of bacteria that protect against metabolic disease, and perhaps become one of many tools that help obese patients who are struggling to shed pounds.

"Obesity is a very complex disorder," said Dr Jessica Allegretti, the director of the Fecal Microbiota Transplant Program at Brigham and Women's Hospital. "Perhaps the microbiome is a contributing part of it, and maybe for everyone it's slightly different. But even for patients where the microbiome is playing a big part, I think this would be something that is part of a larger weight loss programme."

Scientists have known for some time that the microbiomes of obese and lean people differ in striking ways. Obesity, insulin resistance and fatty liver disease are associated with less microbial diversity and higher levels of a group of organisms called Firmicutes. It is not clear whether the obesity and diseases come first or vice versa. But there are indications that the microbiome plays an important role.

Scientists have found differences in the gut bacteria of children as young as 6 months old that can predict future weight gain. Studies of obese mice show that they harbour gut microbes that are better able to harvest energy from food, and when their microbiota are transplanted into the guts of lean mice, the svelte recipients gain weight.

While these findings were coming to light, scientists discovered that fecal transplants were a remarkably effective treatment for *Clostridium difficile*, a devastating bacterial infection that often occurs when antibiotics decimate the healthy gut bacteria that keep it in check. Fecal transplants from healthy donors, administered through colonoscopy or capsules containing desiccated stool, reintroduce beneficial bacteria to the guts of ailing patients, providing resistance against *C difficile*.

In at least one case described in a journal, a lean woman who received a fecal transplant from her overweight daughter to treat a *C difficile* infection quickly gained 34 pounds. Her doctors, however, said they could not be sure that the transplant fuelled her sudden weight gain.

Dr Purna Kashyap, head of Gut Microbiome Laboratory at Mayo Clinic, said that



Anahad O'Connor/NYT

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treating *C difficile* with a fecal transplant makes perfect sense because it dislodges a harmful pathogen and restores equilibrium to the gut. But obesity and metabolic disease are far more complex, driven by an array of factors, including genetics, diet, environment and lifestyle. The idea that a single intervention, a transplant of a new community of microbes, could effectively treat obesity is unrealistic, he said.

He said, "It's saying, because I don't know what's going on, let me just treat it with everything that I have and hope for the best."

Some researchers nonetheless wondered what would happen if obese patients were given gut microbes of slender people. The first direct test of this came in 2012. Dutch researchers showed that transferring a lean donor's microbiota to guts of obese men with metabolic syndrome led to a sharp increase in the recipients' insulin sensitivity and their microbial diversity after six weeks, suggesting that the transplants influenced their metabolisms.

At Mass General, Yu and her colleagues recruited 24 obese men and women with insulin resistance, along with four lean donors. The donors were screened for an array of medical conditions to ensure that they were healthy and would not transmit any infections

to the recipients. The researchers selected donors who had a history of always being very lean: Their ideal candidates were people who said they could eat whatever they wanted and still remain skinny.

"There could be many reasons why those people are special," Yu said of the donors. "There could be genetic reasons that are unrelated to the microbiome. But we had to start somewhere."

Half the obese subjects took specially prepared frozen capsules containing stool from the donors on a weekly basis, while the others received a placebo. After 12 weeks, the researchers found that the fecal treatment was safe and tolerable and that the subjects had acquired microbiota that resembled that of their skinny donors. But over all, unlike in the Dutch study, there was no improvement in their metabolic health. Like much of the microbiome research to date, both trials were small and exploratory and did not reach definitive conclusions.

Two other small studies led to some provocative findings. In one, at Brigham and Women's Hospital, Allegretti found that fecal transplant capsules shifted the microbiomes of obese subjects and led to positive changes

in their bile acids, digestive aids that are produced by the liver.

Another study in Canada looked at the effects of fecal transplants on liver fat in people with fatty liver disease. While the results are under peer review and awaiting publication, the authors said that the treatment led to changes in the recipients' guts, making the gut membrane less permeable, or "leaky".

This is important because one hypothesis for how an abnormal microbiome could contribute to metabolic disease and weight gain is by damaging the gut barrier that keeps toxins and pathogens from crossing into the bloodstream. When this occurs, it can set off a cascade of inflammation, contributing to insulin resistance, cardiovascular disease and autoimmune conditions, said Dr Michael Silverman, the lead author of the study and the chairman of infectious diseases at Western University in Ontario.

None of the studies were long enough to assess changes in body weight. But some of the researchers plan to follow their subjects longer to gather more data on weight and other outcomes. Yu said further research could help identify pathways that lead to new drugs or probiotics that alter the microbiome. **NYT**



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■ Spending a lot more time alone than usual
■ Strong, inappropriate emotions or having no feelings at all

McFarlane said in an interview, "Families come with their kids, who at first usually have to be dragged in by their ears, but quickly become enthusiastic participants. Families get a lot of support from others in their group with issues they don't know how to handle. The

group is there to treat the illness, not the patient, who learns how to treat himself."

The intervention is adapted to each individual and focuses on practical issues like how to stay in school, make and keep friends or jobs, how to handle stresses and plan for the future. "Only when necessary do we use medication, like a mood stabiliser or anti-depressive. This isn't about drug treatment." **NYT**

Interventions to prevent psychosis

An impending psychotic break can be identified and prevented if it is recognised early and appropriate steps are taken to head it off

JANE E BRODY

TIFFANY MARTINEZ was a 17-year-old college freshman when she began hearing voices, seeing shadowy figures and experiencing troubling, intrusive thoughts. Her friends at the University of Southern Maine, where she was majoring in psychology, noticed that she was acting strangely and urged her to get help.

They most likely saved her from a crippling mental health crisis, prevented the derailment of her education and ultimately enabled her to become a psychiatric nurse practitioner who can help other young people.

Tiffany's friends convinced her to go to the university's health centre, where she met with a nurse who had just attended a seminar about identifying the early signs of mental illness in young adults. The nurse suspected that Tiffany was at risk of developing a psychotic

episode and referred her to the Portland Identification and Early Referral, or PIER, programme at the Maine Health Center.

The programme was developed in 2001 by Dr William R McFarlane, a psychiatrist who suspected that if early intervention could reverse the course of diseases like cancer and heart disease, it should do likewise for psychosis. Despite conventional wisdom suggesting otherwise, he persevered in the belief that an impending psychotic break could be identified and prevented if it was recognised early and appropriate steps taken to head it off.

Tiffany, who said her father had schizophrenia, was an early beneficiary of his vision. "When you develop severe mental illness, you are driving off a cliff," McFarlane said. "Imagine if you could stop a process that's already underway."

Psychosis, which is not a disease but a symptom of a brain illness, usually begins in

late adolescence and young adulthood. The causes are not known. The disorder, which is genetically complex, tends to run in families. Its onset is often precipitated by episodes of intense stress or severe chronic stress.

There are many possible signs that someone is at risk of developing a psychotic break, but too often they are dismissed as symptoms of typical adolescent behaviour, experts say. Psychosis rarely comes on suddenly. Rather, the person gradually experiences changes in thoughts and perception, making it difficult for the person to recognise what is real and what is not, the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) points out.

The alliance lists these early warning signs:
■ A worrisome drop in grades or job performance
■ Trouble thinking clearly or concentrating
■ Suspiciousness or uneasiness with others
■ A decline in self-care or personal hygiene

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SHORT COURSE

[11-20 YEARS]

Teens with illnesses want role in decisions

TEENS WITH chronic illnesses would like to have a say in decisions such as switching to a new medicine, but they often feel left out of the conversation, a small study suggests.

Researchers in Wales who interviewed teens being treated for a range of chronic conditions, like epilepsy or diabetes, found these young patients want to be involved in decision-making about their treatment and want parents and doctors to see their contribution as important and positive, yet they often feel adult opinions carry more weight than theirs.



Amber Jordan, a researcher at Cardiff University, and her colleagues recruited teenagers from clinics treating different types of long-term disorders. As reported in *Journal of Adolescent Health*, the researchers did interviews with 19 teens, aged 13 to 19. Then they identified major themes emphasised by these young patients in describing their experiences with decisions about matters like beginning or discontinuing treatment, changing medications, undergoing surgery, making lifestyle changes or participating in a clinical trial. **REUTERS**

[20-40 YEARS]

High Vit D doses don't strengthen bones

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[40-70 YEARS]

Little sleep, or too much, risky for heart

GETTING LESS than six hours of sleep a night, or more than nine hours, might increase the risk for heart attack.

Previous studies have found an association between sleep duration and heart attack. But for the current study, researchers had DNA data about participants and knew who had a high or low genetic risk for cardiovascular disease. This allowed them to clearly identify the role of sleep duration by itself on heart attack risk.

The study included 4,61,347 men and women ages 40 to 69, all of whom were

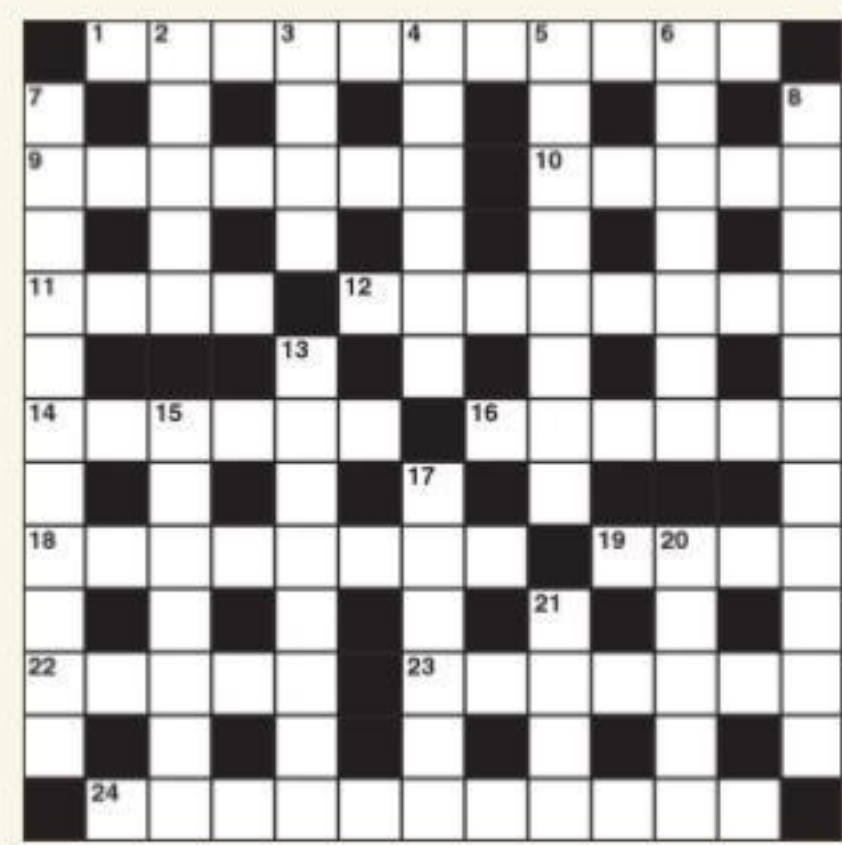
healthy at the start. Over seven years of follow-up, there were 5,218 heart attacks. Comparing people with the same low genetic risk score for cardiovascular disease, they

found that those with poor sleep duration — less than six hours or more than nine — had a 32 per cent higher risk of having a heart attack.

Researchers also compared people with high genetic risk for heart disease. Those who tended to get favourable sleep reduced their risk by 18 per cent compared with those with unfavourable sleep patterns. **NYT**



CROSSWORD 3910



- ACROSS
- DOWN
- 1 Tea interval is changed through choice (11)

9 In war Eric is involved, flying aircraft (7)

10 Alice is out to get her (5)

11 Helps one in severe illness (4)

12 Fruit for the shy (8)

14 Result of a questionable action? (6)

16 He should honour his agreement to the letter (6)

18 Where to stay for long periods of the year (8)

19 Inclination to admit incompetence (4)

22 Nun that is upset by lack of interest (5)

23 Dad, after commercial, seen in study, expressionless (7)

24 Hardly dark thoughts! (6,5)
- 2 Sensational piece of luck getting free (5)

3 In the clear - not by merit (4)

4 He brought fresh weight to laws of motion (6)

5 Idle indication that the clock has stopped? (4,4)

6 Louvre's new material (7)

7 Stages in funerals, perhaps (11)

8 Well-attended church service? (4,7)

13 Deciding to make no further moves? (8)

15 One reaching across for a tool (7)

17 Cried when I left, having taken it on trust (6)

20 First-class letter (5)

21 A grasping worker (4)

Solutions Crossword 3909: Across: 1 Siesta, 4 Relation, 9 Tactic, 10 Stampede, 12 Rook, 13 Beard, 14 Axle, 17 Sick and tired, 20 Capital gains, 23 Oral, 24 Wives, 25 Isle, 28 Warrants, 29 Quilts, 30 Backyard, 31 Quaker. Down: 1 Sarafist, 2 Ennorch, 3 Trip, 5 Extremated, 6 Alms, 7 Ice axe, 8 Nieces, 11 Bend sinister, 15 Japan, 16 Wedge, 18 Lipstick, 19 Assessor, 21 Cobweb, 22 Fabric, 26 Lazy, 27 Tutu.

JUMBLED WORDS

Given below are four jumbled words. Solve the jumbles to make proper words and move them to the respective squares below. Select the letters in the shaded squares and jumble them to get the answer for the given quip. You can only govern men by _____. - Victor Kiam (7,4)

ERUEQ

HETMAN

AWIST

AINRGV

SOLUTION: QUEER, WAIST, WAITS, ANTHEM, RAWING
Answer: You can only govern men by serving them. - Victor Kiam

OVER THE HEDGE by Michael Fry & T Lewis



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MARVIN by Tom Armstrong



SUDOKU 3969

Difficulty Level 1s
Instructions
To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from 1 to 9 must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.



SOLUTION SUDOKU 3968



Difficulty Level
1s = Very easy; 2s = Easy; 3s = Medium; 4s = Hard; 5s = Very Hard; 6s = Genius

DAY TODAY

BY PETER VIDAL

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr 20)

Aries symbol

A number of energetic planets are simultaneously reaching the culmination of a monthly cycle of universal significance and completing an annual pattern in your personal affairs. The lesson for you is that relationships must be worked at. Remember, there is no magic formula.

TAURUS (Apr 21 - May 21)

Taurus symbol

Once in a while, a fantastic aspect makes it apparent that the time is right to leap ahead and get ten days' work, or play, accomplished in one. Today is one such day, but you'll have to pace yourself if you are not to fall at the first hurdle. You'll be no use to anyone if you're worn out.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)

Gemini symbol

Your salvation lies in human contact and warmth. There are three sectors of your chart dealing with other people, of which the two that now take your notice rule intimate romantic partners and casual acquaintances. Professional colleagues and partners with whom you share your daily routine will have to wait their turn.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)

Cancer symbol

It's an emotional day, and there'll be little time for rational thought. You are therefore likely to discover that all your words of wisdom have fallen on deaf ears. When it comes to money, you may wait a little longer, perhaps another three months, to make your fortune.

LEO (July 24 - Aug 23)

Leo symbol

You can remain silent no longer. You have no choice but to say your piece, but you may be pleasantly surprised when people stop and listen for a change. Emphasise adventurous plans and lay yourself on the line. You never know, you might actually discover hidden talents.

VIRGO (Aug 24 - Sep 23)

Virgo symbol

The cosmos always has more tricks up its sleeve. Just when you thought you were on safe ground, in came more bills. Actually, today's strenuous planetary picture gives you the chance to do more than settle immediate accounts. You may, if you wish, take steps to guarantee your long-term security.

LIBRA (Sep 24 - Oct 23)

Libra symbol

This is a time to be more concerned with what has been built up over the years of toil and strife. Don't be too bothered by friction or tension at work or at home. Do take the opportunity to make a sort of personal new year's resolution, vowing to achieve a special ambition within the next twelve months.

SCORPIO (Oct 24 - Nov 23)

Scorpio symbol

The time is finally here to think about restoring a sense of inner meaning to your daily affairs. You may consider it right and proper to encourage others to stand on their own two feet, but do offer any help that you can. After all, people have been good to you deserve something in return, however, small.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 24 - Dec 22)

Sagittarius symbol

By rights you ought to have a free hand in affairs of the heart, but don't get so preoccupied with one person that you forget your friends. By the way, you should also be aware of the need for improvements in relations with children and younger people in general.

CAPRICORN (Dec 23 - Jan 20)

Capricorn symbol

It's a fine moment for some light relief. The only way to deal with tension that pervades the air today is to keep your sense of humour well to the fore and remind other people that events that seem like the end of the world will evoke laughter in times to come.

AQUARIUS (Jan 21 - Feb 19)

Aquarius symbol

It's time to stand up and be counted, so don't be ashamed to be an out and out idealist today. If others should ever accuse you of being impractical, so what? If they are that efficient, let them complete all the tasks which are a drain on your energy. You have bigger fish to fry.

PISCES (Feb 20 - Mar 20)

Pisces symbol

It's a funny day - funny peculiar, that is. What others say or do may not make you jump for joy, but neither should you take them too seriously, for they'll probably change their minds tomorrow. If you feel put upon or unfairly blamed for matters which are not your fault, don't feel victimised.

NOTICE BOARD CORPORATE ASSOCIATE DIARY APPOINTMENTS, MOVEMENTS, CELEBRATIONS, HONOURS



AWARD-POWERGRID
President of India, RN Kovind presented the Swachh Bharat Award to K Sreekant, CMD, POWERGRID under PSU Corporate Category for significant CSR contribution under the initiative of Swachh Iconic Places & Swachh Bharat Kosh.



FELICITATION-CISF
A ceremony to felicitate the 16 members expedition team of CISF who successfully summited Mount Satopanth peak, was organized at DMRC Auditorium, Metro Bhawan, Barakhamba, New Delhi.



INAUGURATION-ITPO
R Agrawal, IAS, ED, ITPO inaugurates 'Silver Jubilee edition of Delhi Book Fair 2019' (September 11-15) alongwith 21st Stationery Fair, 5th Office Automation Fair & Corporate Gifts Fair in Hall 7, Pragati Maidan, New Delhi recently.



INAUGURATION-AAI
2nd edition of 2 days Annual Conference of Top AAI executives inaugurated by IN Murthy, Member (Ops), AAI. The purpose of this annual conference is to apprise the senior leaders of current business scenario and strategies to achieve corporate plan.



AWARD-REC
Minister for Ministry of Jal Shakti Gajendra Singh Shekhawat presented the Swachh Bharat Puraskar to REC Limited on 6th September 2019 for its contribution to the Swachh Bharat Kosh of the Ministry of Jal Shakti, GOI.



MoU-DFCCIL
DFCCIL linked a MoU with Australia's University of Wollongong (UoW) to to establish a mutually beneficial collaboration paving the way for a wide range of research, teaching and consultation activities at Delhi recently.



PARTICIPATION-EPCH
R Kumar, DG, EPCH said that in view of tremendous business opportunities in European market, EPCH is participating in "Maison & Objet 2019" being held from 6 - 10 Sept., 2019 at the Paris Nord Villepinte, France.



SEMINAR-DFCCIL
Senior officials of ICC International Court of Arbitration comprising President A Moure & Secy General A Fessas gave a presentation at a seminar, attended by the top management of DFCCIL headed by A Sachan, MD DFCCIL and others at CO.



MEETING-BIS
Department of Consumer Affairs, GOI therefore conducted an important meeting on 'Replacing one time use plastics bottles for drinking water with suitable alternatives'. The meeting was chaired by the M/o CA, F&PD, RV Paswan.



MoU-NMCG
RR Mishra DG, NMCG held a meeting with the 16 Member team from OISCA, Japan headed by Nakano Toshihiro, Acting President, OISCA & NMCG officials. It has entered into an MoU with NMCG for cooperation on water agro forestry.



TRAINING-PVVNL
Ashutosh Niranjana, MD, PVVNLorganised 5 days on job practical training program for Assistant Engineer/ Assistant Engineer (Trainees) starting from 13th Sept 2019. This program emphasised to increase work efficiency & proficiency.



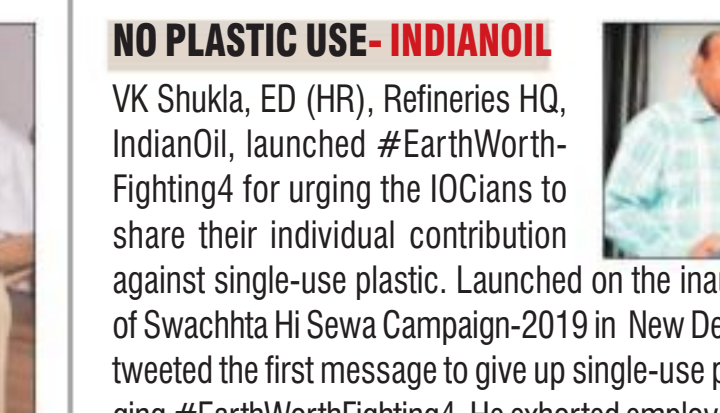
CAMPAIGN-INDIANOIL
Tata Motors has joined hands with IOCL to launch the 'Diesel bharo - Truck Jeeto' campaign to boost diesel sales in festive season. This was formally launched by G Singh, Dir (Mktg), IOCL at an IOCL outlet in Sarsan, Mumbai-Pune highway.



AWARD-AAI
AAI's continuous thrust on enhanced passenger convenience & superlative services has been yielding results year after year. Four AAI airports viz. Ahmedabad, Bhubaneswar, Chandigarh and Indorewon nine AAI ASQ Awards for the year 2018 .



INAUGURATION-HUDCO
MR Kanth, CMD, HUDCO inaugurated a two-day training programme on 'Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 and Practical Aspects of Resolution along with other Legal Issues Pertaining to NPA Management'.



NO PLASTIC USE-INDIANOIL
VK Shukla, ED (HR), Refineries HQ, IndianOil, launched #EarthWorth-Fighting4 for urging the IOCIans to share their individual contribution against single-use plastic. Launched on the inaugural day of Swachhta Hi Sewa Campaign-2019 in New Delhi, Shukla tweeted the first message to give up single-use plastic tagging #EarthWorthFighting4. He exhorted employees to stop using single-use plastics in their daily lives & urged them to strictly follow the principles of reduce-recycle-reuse for management of plastic. He also told them to work towards eliminating single-use plastic by 2022, reiterating the clarion call of PM.



53rd AGM - GOA SHIPYARD LIMITED
53rd AGM of GSL was held on 12th Sept. The performance of GSL during the FY 2018-19 was promising in terms of revenue & profit amidst challenging business environment as informed by CMD E B B NAGPAL, CMD GSL.



LAUNCH - LOT POLISH AIRLINES
The fastest growing airline in Europe and Star Alliance member LOT Polish Airlines has launched regular flights between New Delhi and Warsaw 5 times in a week. Airlines will serve Indian Dishes and have Hindi speaking cabin crew apart from in flight entertainment with Indian movies, this was announced by RAFAL MILCZARSKI, CEO of LOT Polish Airlines.

BHEL has successfully commissioned the 1320 MW IB Thermal Power Station (2x660MW). Located in Jharsuguda district of Odisha, the project is owned by Odisha Power Generation Corporation Limited (OPGC), a joint venture company of the Government of Odisha and AES, a US-based energy company. BHEL had previously set up two units of 210 MW at IB Thermal Power Station which have been in operation for more than 20 years.

IRCTC Ministry of Railways, over the last few years, have been executing prestigious projects for improving the overall traveling experience of rail passengers including running of premium high speed trains, station and premises development, and providing state of the art amenities to its passengers on trains as well as at stations. To further professionalise the services, Railways have entrusted IRCTC, it's commercial tourism and catering arm & a two decade old service organization to operate two premium passenger trains for general public using the air conditioned chair car rakes of Tejas trains. These two trains will ply on Lucknow - Delhi - Lucknow and Ahmedabad - Mumbai- Ahmedabad routes for 6 days in a week and will primarily cater to the business travellers traveling frequently between these cities, besides catering to tourists. Trains would be equipped with all modern on board facilities for ensuring a high level of comfort to the passengers. The first train to start with IRCTC management will be operated in Lucknow - New Delhi - Lucknow sector having a total journey time of 6 hours and 15 minutes. This train will have one Executive class air conditioned chair car having 56 seats and nine air conditioned chair cars having capacity of 78 seats each. The total carrying capacity of the train will be 758 passengers.

DDA'S Land Pooling Policy has received encouraging response in just few months. The area of land pooled under the Policy stood at 6407 hectares on September 6. The land pooled in Zones P-II, N, L and K-I is 1248 hectares. 3268 hectares, 229 hectares and 1691 hectares, respectively. Few sectors in Zone N, P-II and L are likely to be qualified for development under this policy, for which extensive exercise is being taken up to check the eligibility of the sectors. The Land Pooling Policy was notified in October 2018. Land parcels of any size can benefit from the policy by pooling.

Gone Girl

DREAMGIRL ★★

Director: Raaj Shaandilya Cast: Ayushmann Khurrana, Annu Kapoor, Manjot Singh, Rajesh Sharma, Vijay Raaz, Abhishek Bannerjee, Nushrat Bharucha, Nidhi Bisht, Raj Bhansali

SHUBHRA GUPTA

THERE ARE many good ideas floating around in *Dream Girl*. But ideas need execution, and on that score, this film flubs it: it has so little wit and imagination that it turns all those ideas into a series of flat set pieces. And that's sad, because it has a stand-out lead, Ayushmann Khurrana, in yet another stand-out part.

The jobless Karam (Khurrana) lands an opening at a call centre run by a dodgy money-grubber (Sharma) which has a bunch of women doing *pyaar, mohabbat, dosti* on the phone. Karam fits right in because he has a gift which he has used since he was a boy — he can do a perfect female voice. Within a phone call, all those lonely people calling in are smitten by Pooja, Karam's alternate id, and he begins minting money.

Till about then, the tone is just right too, risqué (what else can it be with phone sex) without going over the top. But the insistence of making it family-friendly makes it a troublesome tightrope, and *Dream Girl* starts to swing uneasily between smut and sentiment. And then it takes refuge in what comes easiest — tastelessness.

Bollywood's other problem is that of using quirk to offset clichés. Look at the characters surrounding our Karam: Smiley the sarad (Singh), hero's BFF, always there for support; Mahi (Bharucha), romantic interest; colourful dad (Kapoor), *rangeela pulisiya* (Raaz) who does bad *shayari*; a vertically-challenged fellow with a blond thatch; a loud girl who hates men and likes girls; a grandma who likes her booze, this last character reminiscent of the old lady who does ditto in *Vicky Donor*.

In fact, Khurrana and Kapoor were a great *jodi* in *Vicky Donor*, and that was the former's debut film. In the past few years, Khurrana has become the go-to star for good acting jobs. Here Kapoor plays *papaji* to Khurrana, and gives him able support, as does the solid Manjot Singh. The rest, including the perky Bharucha, seem to exist as walk-on parts in a loose, shambling ramble masquerading as a movie.



There is a lot of merit in a star-driven character study standing up for the rights of women who work night shifts in call-centres whose chief job is to provide phone cuddles to needy men. Karam gets to mouth dialogues about 'loneliness' and how it is gender neutral. *Dream Girl* also has a throw-away strand about religious amity, a lecture on how smoking — and-drinking do not de-

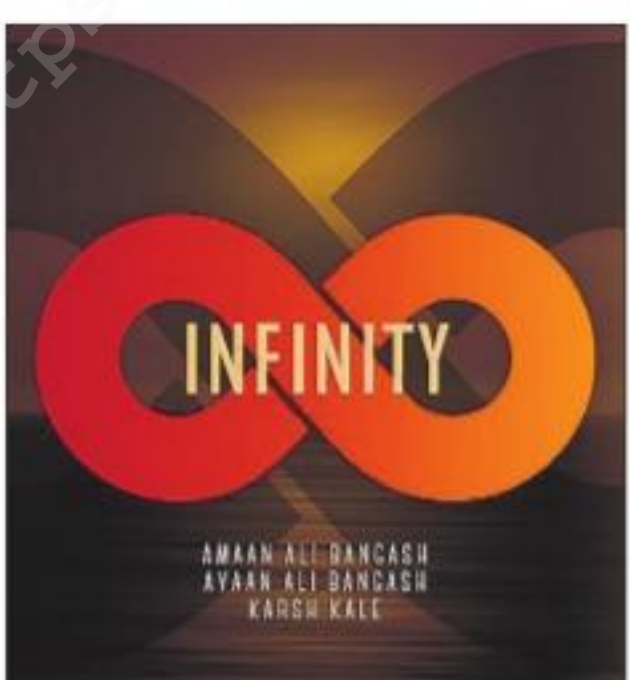
fine a person, and the attempt at a truly radical reach-out 'men who are like women'. But these ideas remain half-baked, being mouthed strictly as meaningless dialogue for either laughs or claps.

You stay watching *Dream Girl* for Khurrana. He plays Karam/Pooja with grace and conviction, and makes this thing sing. He is the one who has been shifting the goal-

posts in the depiction of masculinity in status-quoist Bollywood, and this film, in which he plays both man-and-woman, minus preciousness and exaggeration, would have been the perfect vehicle to take the conversation a notch higher.

If only the film had been better.

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bum traverses the landscape of Indian electronica and is a reminder of the kind of interesting music that once played in Buddha Bar in Paris.

The album opens with *Infinity*, a soft track with sarod at the forefront and keys in the background. Based on the night raga Kamod, the melancholy of the piece comes out well as Kale's synth arrangements mostly stay in the background, rarely coming to the fore. The glides and pauses from the sarod are mostly in place. But the moment they do, they sound jarring in the mix. The piece is devoid of any percussion. This is followed by *Home*, which doesn't have anything new to

offer in terms of innovation.

It's the second half of the album that raises the bar. Be it *Believe* which combines raag Purvi and raag Shree and nails it with a fluidity, even though it has Kale and Shadow and Light combining forces with the two sarods. But it comes across as an intelligently crafted composition. The percussion — tabla and drums — make it a solid track. This is followed by *The space between*, another fine track. The piece with touches of raag Darbari is as significant for Chari's voice and Bose's synth as it is for the sarod. The concluding track is *Journeymen*, which features Ut Amjad Ali Khan, who collaborates with electronic music for the first time. It is also the one that is quite heavy in terms of electronic music. Based on two early morning ragas — Bhairav and Bhatiyar — it has drums and tabla playing with each other alongside the sarod. It's interesting to make the sarod's sound completely electronic, but it's not as impressive. It misses the mark.

Amaan and Ayaan have always sounded better in their recordings as compared to their live concerts. Also, the tonality of their sound is deeper now after years of performance and practice. The album is a compelling collaboration but needed to evolve more to create the abstract openness that the musicians are aiming to attempt.

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MUSIC THIS WEEK

INFINITY, AMAAN ALI KHAN, AYAAN ALI KHAN, KARSH KALE, SHADOW AND LIGHT, SAROD GHAR TRUST

★★★

Strings and a Few Theories

SUANSHU KHURANA

MORE THAN a decade ago, sarod players Amaan Ali Khan and Ayaan Ali Khan had brought out an interesting album titled *Mystic Dunes* (2006). An eight-track world-music album, it merged the worlds of Hindustani classical and Rajasthani folk along with western percussion, thus evoking sounds of the desert. It was a rich tapestry that worked wonderfully — partly because sarod is a version of rabab, a lute that originated in Central Afghanistan (and is popular in West, Central, South and Southeast Asia) and that the deep-throated sound of the instrument managed to touch not just Rajasthani *maand* but also contours of gypsy music. In this album, there was a tune titled *Sahara: Queen of Deserts*. The two musicians used the same hook from this old tune for a track titled *Darkness* in their new

album *Infinity* (Sarod Ghar Trust). It's been worked upon, given more colour along with Pavithra Chari's voice. But it's here that the point of the vastness of Hindustani classical music comes to mind. Why not attempt something new and fresh for a project such as this, one wonders.

Infinity is the latest offering from the two musicians, sons of Ut Amjad Ali Khan and torchbearers of Senia Bangash gharana. It is also notable that the two have constantly attempted to innovate and make sarod more relatable for a younger audience through a slew of collaborations with western classical and indie artistes. This time, the collaboration is with percussionist and electronic music producer Karsh Kale (whom the two met at Womad Festival three years ago) and contemporary Indian music ensemble, Shadow and Light, which has Advaita keyboard player Anindo Bose along with vocal-ist and wife Pavithra Chari at its helm. The al-

Big on Promise

TALL GIRL (NETFLIX)

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Director: Nzingha Stewart Cast: Ava Michelle, Griffin Gluck, Sabrina Carpenter, Luke Eisner



New Orleans, but we are only taken through the best locales of French Quarter, and the art district. We never see the shadier parts of the region, or where Hurricane Katrina's damage is still visible. Plus, no one in the cast has a southern accent. Wonder why?

Tall Girl plays on the usual tropes and clichés — a male, goofy best friend, a beauty pageant-winning elder sister, and a super hunky foreign exchange student, who is, yes, taller than her. Add to the mix Jodi's ultra-confident female best friend, Fareeda, who has pink braids. There is a love triangle, or a quadrangle, or wait it's a hexagon. It's all muddled and comes to head at the homecoming dance. The big speech in the end, given by our heroine, wearing a blue-tuxedo and six-inch-heels, just feels insincere, unnecessary and borderline preachy.

With so much happening around the body positivity movement, where even the big bad fashion world is celebrating different body types, *Tall Girl* could have been a timely intervention. But what we have here is a lazy execution of an idea. Teenagers in America and the world over have far graver problems to deal with. But in the movie, it's reduced to a few comments here and a few cancelled dates there. Skip this lecture and go for lunch instead. Or dinner.

BREAKING DOWN NEWS



BY PRATIK KANJILAL

IT IS said that the finest terror a human can experience is a carrier landing on a stormy night. But the honour may actually go to the people who do moon landings, in which a speeding object must attain zero relative velocity with the surface precisely when it reaches zero altitude. And they do it on national TV. Vikram lost contact with mission control well before touchdown, of course, so the mission may have fallen to an internal error. Space components experience dramatic forces on liftoff, and this could be something as trivial as a contact shaken loose. Drop your laptop, and you could see similar consequences.

ISRO's teething troubles were not unusual. Neither was the tough love backthumping that followed in Bengaluru. Visible political backing is understood to be essential for space exploration to prosper. But the fortnight of cringe-making nationalist television that preceded the failed soft landing was without precedent in the annals of television. From Chandrayaan-2's first manoeuvre to a closer lunar orbit, television channels were spaced out and their presenters were moonwalking, on digital mockups of the lunar regolith.

In the last days before the landing manoeuvre, the embarrassment intensified.

Spaced Out

ISRO's teething troubles were not unusual. What was unusual was the nationalist television that preceded the failed soft landing

Let us forgive the almost forgotten Deepak Chaurasia for appearing in a spacesuit assembled out a motorcycle helmet, shiny vinyl jacket and trousers, and socks worn over the hands to depict gloves. He has enjoyed spectacle from the beginning of his

The original broadcast of the Apollo 11 landing is on NASA's YouTube channel. Authentically fuzzy black and white video and tinny voices from space — you hear the crew show off the onboard computer

political response, too, had to wait until the next morning. It is useful to sleep on a problem. It is much more useful to have a failure speech ready.

In 1999, Richard Nixon's Plan B speech, to be read if the Apollo 11 moon landing failed, was unearthed from his administration's archives (see Australian teacher Malcolm Farnsworth's site [watagate.info](#)).



He Said, She Said

SECTION 375 : MARZI YA ZABARDASTI

★★★

Director: Ajay Bahl Cast: Akshaye Khanna, Richa Chadha, Meera Chopra, Rahul Bhat, Kishore Kadam, Krutika Desai, Shree Swara

SECTION 375 is a timely film. It comes at a time when the impact of #MeToo appears to have ebbed, if you go by the noise created by social media platforms, but is in fact finding its way forward, and digging in.

This is a movement which is here to stay, and like all movements, it will have its high and low moments: *Section 375: Marzi Ya Zabardasti* has an on-the-nose title, but manages to include several welcome, complex grey areas in its telling.

The setting is the film industry in Mumbai. For a Bollywood movie to focus on the sexual exploitation rampant on set is not a new thing, but in a post #MeToo period, it assumes fresh significance.

A complaint of rape by junior costume designer Anjali Dangle (Chopra) against director Rohan Khurana (Bhat) is the pivot around which the plot revolves. Defence lawyer, top legal eagle Tarun Saluja (Khanna) makes the case that it was a matter of consent and that it's an affair gone wrong; the victim's lawyer Hiral Mehta (Chadha) wants the court to see beyond the

'facts of the case', and have justice served.

It's well known that the law will almost always be skewed in favour of the rich and the powerful, and in this case, the accused, whose sense of entitlement remains even when he is behind bars. Khurana blusters and scowls as the suave Saluja keeps holding out hope: we will go by the facts as recorded, he says, and those will get you free.

The result is a solid court-room drama, with good performances all round, which keeps us engaged right through, even through some of the film's hiccups. To produce disturbing evidence of physical harm in camera is one thing, but to display it repeatedly to the court and to us, the audience, borders on the voyeuristic. Not nice. Also, the conflation of national pride and rape statistics in India is ludicrous, and wrong: rape is a crime, and it needs punishment, wherever in the world it happens to be committed.

But what saves the film is the way the court (and for once, it is good to see the judges not just as paper cut-outs but people who want to do the right thing, and both Kadam and Desai are impressive) articulates its conclusion. Consent is imperative every single time, even between people who've been intimate before; and the wielding of power in the work place and demanding sexual favours in exchange of career advancement is a crime. No two ways about it.

SG

Made in Hell

READY OR NOT

★★★

Director: Matt Bettinelli-Olpin, Tyler Gillett Cast: Samara Weaving, Mark O'Brien, Adam Brody, Henry Czerny, Andy MacDowell



her overeager cheer, Grace is up for a night in hell. It isn't just her wedding dress that will be left unrecognisable by the end of it, as she is hunted down the Le Domas mansion with an array of armour. There is humour aplenty, as domestic help get killed one and one by accident, and die completely unmourned. A comment is sought to be made on the blood lust that hasn't left even the children of the household untouched, but you are not sure what the filmmakers intend given the deaths that otherwise occur with so much blood and detail here.

Some of that violence is truly far-out (not a mean achievement given how much of it is all around us), and will put a smile on your face inspite of yourself. But some of it is plain gratuitous.

All through, the one message the film keeps underlining is the divide between the rich and poor — the reason a foster girl (a delightful Weaving) is pitted against as wealthy as they come. However subtle as that message may be, it is another that is more insightful: the power and influence our families have on us, and can we ever break away.

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The Tactical Sangh

An exhaustive account, also a timely reminder, of the history of RSS and its equation with democracy



Madan Lal Khurana, Delhi Chief Minister and other RSS activists at Ambedkar Stadium, 1995 *Express Archives*

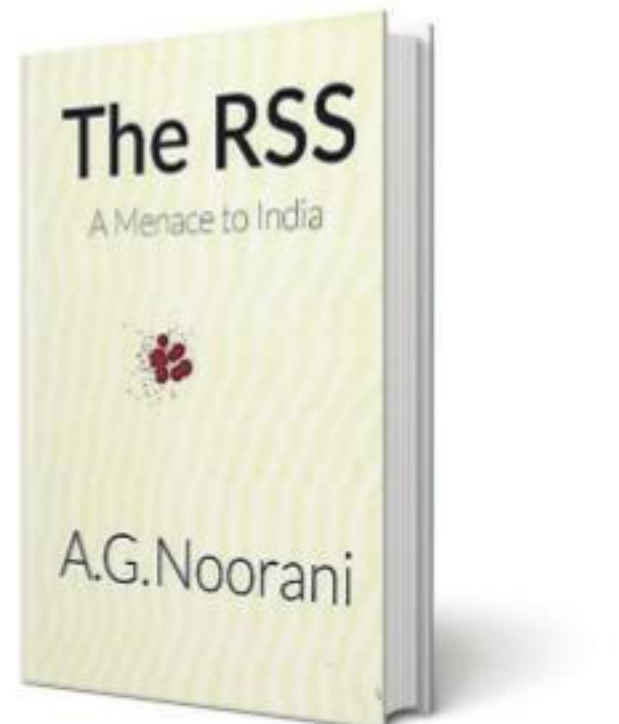
PRATAP BHANU MEHTA

THE RSS: *A Menace to India* is a wide-ranging, erudite, and at times polemical case for the prosecution. Over 500 pages replete with citations, sources and documents, Noorani leaves the reader in little doubt of the myriad ways in which RSS undermines India. Ideologically, the RSS is committed to Hindu Unity. The RSS has a historical thesis that division among Hindus is the single explanatory thread that explains their subjugation. The achievement of this unity is a radical, and not conservative, project that requires the move away from Hinduism. It requires the reduction of Hinduism to an ethno-nationalist identity, that does away with questions of religious experience, soteriology and eschatology, that are at the heart of traditional Hinduism. It requires the overcoming of all social divisions within Hinduism by assimilation into a single identity with a brahminical tinge; and, it requires a territorial claim of India as the land of Hindus that expunges all the foreign elements from it. The basis of ethno-nationalist unity is not a positive doctrine of regeneration, but a negative one, constituted by a constant sense of lack that needs to define itself against external enemies.

The RSS has a curious relationship with democracy. Noorani is right in pointing out that the claim — that the RSS is merely a cultural organisation — was always a façade. Its aim was to secure political power for Hindus and it has always been tactical in this regard. But, more than Noorani recognises, what makes the RSS modern, and in some ways more prescient than the Left, is its understanding that power and legitimacy flow from democratic mobilisation and the creation of majority rule. In this majoritarian sense, it takes the task of democratic mobil-

isation and seeking a permanent majority utterly seriously. But the RSS has no conception of individual freedom, or understanding of pluralism; everyone has to define their identity in its own terms. In this sense, it represents an antithesis to freedom.

The RSS is organisationally distinctive. In a country where organisations scarcely survive factions and schisms, the RSS' growth and endurance have been spectacular, and, purely in terms of organisational theory, little understood: Noorani does not dwell on these matters. He is more attentive to the fact that the organisation is influenced by Italian fascism, committed to discipline, militancy and hierarchy, and is not averse to violence. Whatever may be the simple-minded and selfless dedication of its workers, its leadership has always



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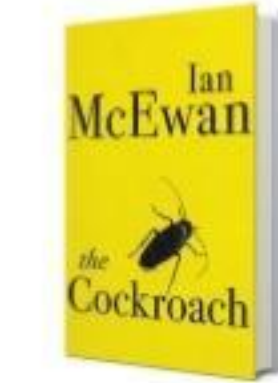
been, beginning with Savarkar and Golwalkar, made up of men of limited understanding — crude and coarse in their conceptualisation of the world, admiring of Nazism, and constantly duplicitous. He will add to the debate over Savarkar, which is a matter for another occasion. He writes, “Presidents like Lala Lajpat Rai were men of character, scholarship and personal grace. Savarkar was devoid of all three.” Noorani has no doubt that the RSS was deeply implicated in Gandhi's assassination. Its plausible deniability in the matter set up a template of working through fronts, where the RSS pleads a feigned innocence in the face of complicity in violence and riots. It is also, Noorani claims, legally duplicitous, claiming both that it is and isn't a charitable organisation, in different legal contexts.

Noorani then charts the RSS' history through various episodes: its ambiguous role in the Emergency, but one that finally led to its rehabilitation; the Vajpayee years, Gujarat. Noorani's perspective is also useful on two current debates. He argues that Syama Prasad Mookerjee's agitations in Kashmir, rather than being a nationalist stand against Nehru's fulminations, actually made the integration of Kashmir more difficult by communalising the state. And, in light of Congress's dilemmas over “soft Hindutva”, it is always worth a reminder that leaders like Govind Ballabh Pant were always more like a majoritarian fifth column in the Congress, who protected the RSS, much to Patel's consternation. Noorani is attentive to the fact that the RSS discourse constantly repositions itself in light of tactics, but its overall goals remain the same. So, for instance, Mohan Bhagwat's recent acknowledgment of India's diversity, and the claim that “Hindu Rashtira does not mean that it has no place for Muslims,” are more tactically positioned; they are quite

compatible with the assertion of Hindu supremacy and power. Noorani seems to suggest that there may be a possible rift between Modi and RSS, with the latter always, in the final analysis, asserting its superiority. This rift is exaggerated; both need each other and will work for a triumphal 2025, the centenary year of the RSS. It is a sobering thought that the RSS might outlive the Congress.

But while prosecuting the RSS, the book also unwittingly reveals the Left's own lack of imagination. The introduction reveals this in two ways. In opposition to the RSS' history of India — as being subjugated by Muslims, Noorani has to juxtapose the implausible view that this is a history of seamless cooperation and lack of hostility between communities. The RSS exaggerates hostility and the Left has made it difficult to talk frankly about conflict and difference. But the future of India's constitutional project should not depend on the vagaries of historiographical debate. Second, we still have not grasped, as the RSS and Jinnah did, that the past history of cultural assimilation or difference, becomes relatively irrelevant when faced with the problem of democracy and representation. Then the question is not whether we had a “Ganga-Jamuna” *tehzeeb*. The question then becomes about who wields representative power, and, to what extent can a modern state interfere in traditional cultural practices. The RSS has cleverly occupied that space as well, while the Left fights battles without understanding how the terrain has changed. But the Left's shortcomings should not blind us to the dangers of Hindutva, and we are grateful to Noorani for reminding us of its dangerous historical track record.

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GREGOR SAMSA IS STUCK IN A BREXIT DREAM
Ian McEwan has announced a new book, set to be published on 27 September this year, that thrusts modern British politics into a Kafkaesque landscape. Called *The Cockroach*, the novel's hero, Jim Sams, wakes up to find that he has become the British prime minister. McEwan said it's a “political satire in an old tradition”.



Rajnath Singh (right) and LK Advani in Delhi, 2009 *Express Archives*

A political life

The legacy of Rajnath Singh and the impact he has had on Indian politics over decades

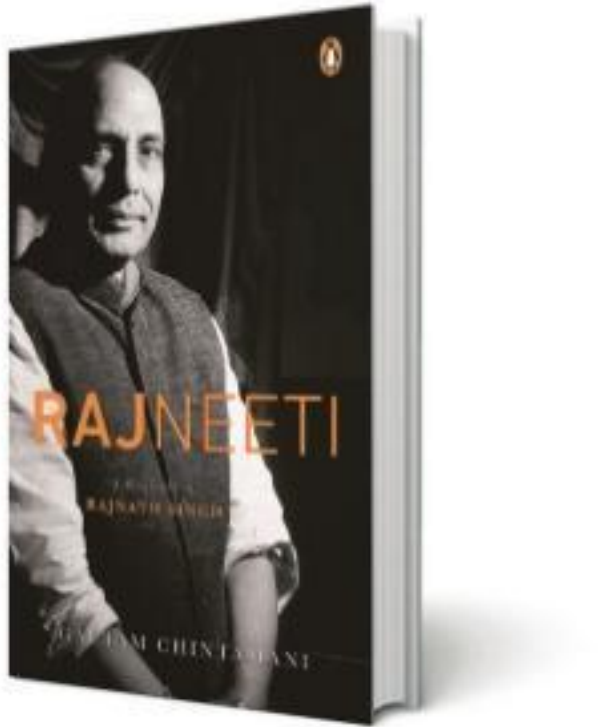
LIZ MATHEW

IN THE flurry of biographies of BJP's top leaders, one on Rajnath Singh perhaps comes as a surprise. At a time when Singh was taken out of the crucial Home Ministry to make way for BJP president Amit Shah, this biography of Singh by Gautam Chintamani, a film historian, can be better described as hagiography — it portrays Singh's journey as a reclusive politician who always stood for what he believed in, someone who succeeded as hagiography

— it portrays Singh's journey as a reclusive politician who always stood for what he believed in, someone who succeeded at finding a common ground across camps and someone who, as minister, made a deep impact on the ministries he had taken charge of. This is not exactly a biography of the BJP veteran only, it also gives glimpses of his party's story in the Hindi heartland. What is missing, however, is deep insight into his personality. It does have some lesser known details: how his mother Gujarati Devi and wife Savitri came to the Mirzapur station to meet him while he was being transferred from Mirzapur Jail to Naini Central Jail near Allahabad — where he was put in solitary confinement during the Emergency; how voters in Mirzapur obliged his request to not vote for him — as his nomination as a Jan Sangh candidate was done before the Opposition alliance decided to field Faquir Ali Ansari, a Lok Dal leader; and how Singh insisted on his son Pankaj not being given a ticket during his presidency of the BJP. Still, a biography of Singh, one of the seniormost leaders of the BJP who certainly had a politically eventful life, could have had more anecdotes. In other words, the drama of his life is absent in the book, which also does not shed much light on Singh's stand on the controversial agenda of the BJP.

However, for anyone who wants to glance through the history of the BJP's emergence in Uttar Pradesh and at the centre, Chintamani chronicles the events meticulously. There are some interesting bits, too. Although there is no elaboration, he mentions how Singh was pushed as a future leader by the national leadership in the early 1990s to “keep Kalyan Singh's popularity in check.” But the author promptly justifies the move: “Singh's reassured demeanour and the manner in which he always found common ground across various camps and groups both within the party as well as across party lines made him a well-rounded and acceptable option to fill the leadership vacuum.”

It also mentions the “open scuffle” inside the party — including how Kalraj Mishra had threatened to undo all the good work done by the Singh-led government in Uttar Pradesh. Another interesting reference is to AB Vajpayee's surprise announcement at Mumbai's Shivaji Park, during the BJP's sil-



RAJNEETI: A BIOGRAPHY OF RAJNATH SINGH
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ver jubilee celebrations, that he was retiring from active politics, and declared that L.K. Advani and Pramod Mahajan were the “Ram” and “Lakshman” of the BJP. “What set the party aflutter was not as much as his decision to retire but his conspicuous refusal to acknowledge the man who was all set to replace Advani as the new party president.”

The book highlights Singh's achievements in every ministry he had occupied — it credits him for the success of the Atal Bihari Vajpayee-initiated Golden Quadrilateral Project (Singh was surface transport minister from 1999-2002) and how Singh ‘Set it Right’ — the title of a chapter that talks about his term as Home Minister in the Narendra Modi government, when he resolved a number of issues.

The book goes on to say that Singh, when he became the party chief, had prepared the ground for the emergence of young turks like Arun Jaitley and Sushma Swaraj and “had begun to look at Mahajan in the same light that Vajpayee had defined him”. Another interesting narrative revolves around how Singh had long battled for Modi as a popular leader, and how he “broke protocol” to speak before others — only to tell the party workers that “he did not want to come between them and the Yuva neta (young leader)” whom they had come to hear. The reference was to Narendra Modi, who was just elected as the chairman of the central campaign committee.

The book ends with the author's take on Singh's life. “His life is a success in many aspects but what stands out is his intent to do what he thinks is right.”

Raging waters

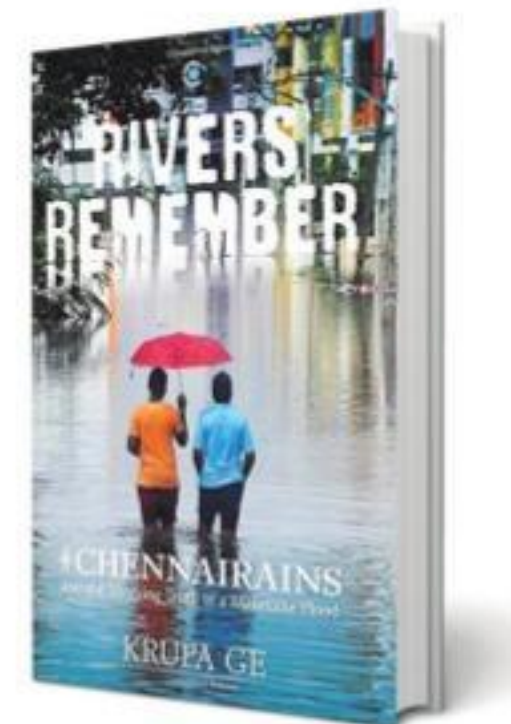
The 2015 Chennai floods revisited through deeply personal accounts that indict an apathetic system

UMA MAHADEVAN-DASGUPTA

ONE OF my earliest memories of water is a flash flood near Tiruchi. My grandfather was very ill. My parents received the telegram in Faridabad, where we lived at the time. We drove to Delhi, flew down to Chennai and hired a taxi to drive to Tiruchi. On the way, there was a flash flood, water rushing across the road around us. The Ambassador taxi stopped in the middle of the relentless stream. My father and uncle somehow managed to get out of the car and push.

We reached Tiruchi too late. My grandfather had died. My sister and I sat cross-legged on his old wooden *oorjal* (swing) as the aunts spoke in low voices around us. But when my father had to go down to the Kaveri river for funeral rituals, I clung to him. I followed him into the water. I can still feel the cool stone steps beneath my feet. Every time my father ducked his head in the water, I thought he would drown. I thought he would vanish without a trace.

That was many years ago. My father is now in his eighties. Last year, there was a cloudburst over the Bengaluru suburb where we live. I was driving back from work, hoping my car would make it through the flooded roads. My son telephoned: the lift lobby had flooded, and my father was stuck downstairs after his evening walk, unable to climb back to the eleventh-floor apartment where we lived. My son was going to take Thatha to my brother's house nearby, so that he could



RIVERS REMEMBER: THE SHOCKING TRUTH OF A MANMADE FLOOD
KRUPA GE
Context
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To understand why our cities are so vulnerable, we must go back in history. Krupa Ge's book about the Chennai floods of 2015 opens with a 1914 map of Chennai. Her riveting three-year investigation into what happened during the floods, with neither warning nor evacuation, takes us back into the history of an urban settlement built around the trajectories of three rivers — the Kosasthalaiyar, the Cooum and the Adyar, and the ancient waterways of the past — *aarus*, or rivers; *eris*, or lakes; *karanais*, or water bodies; *thaanngals*, or irrigation tanks; *kulam*s, or ponds; and *porombokes*, or commons. Most of these now form part of the names of city neighbourhoods.

Ge takes us through interviews of volunteers and those affected — archival records; news reports; disaster management plans; public interest litigations; and the narratives of evictions of the poor from their homes in the most vulnerable areas of the city.

It is a terrible Faustian bargain to parcel up a city and sell it as real estate. Violating basic planning norms, Indian cities are vulnerable to floods year after year. We need much more than year-after-year television reports about flooding in Mumbai's Milan subway, tales of individual heroism, and debates about indomitable spirit and resilience. It is time to improve urban preparedness in long-term, inclusive and equitable ways.

But when will this happen? Beyond the documentary evidence that Ge sifts through, the great force of her narrative comes through in the landscape of the survivors' feelings: “The killer waters just came in and took whatever they wanted. Whatever they could lay their hands on. Lives of people, solitary breadwinners, pets, animals, trees and families. Sending people back in their status by at least a decade or two, killing all of their precious memories.”

As the water level rose, a city drowned —



Flood affected people waiting for a coast guard chopper to drop relief supplies, Chennai, 2015 *PTI Photo by R Senthil Kumar*

lives, homes and livelihoods were lost. In a powerful, poetic narrative that moves between individual stories and the story of a city's drowning, Ge describes the unspeakable hollowing out of lives. A young man goes into the water to lead his younger brother to safety. He never comes back. “For about three days, nobody knew where he was. They went looking for him everywhere and finally found him in a mortuary.”

In another house, another heartbreaking story: an elderly couple sit on a chair placed on top of a table, constantly on the phone with their daughter, waiting for a rescue that cannot come. “Neighbours heard them, both

husband and wife, call for help, over a period of nine hours, but could not do anything.”

It is also traumatic to lose the accumulated memories of a lifetime. “What no one tells you about floods like this is that it is not water that comes into your home... What flows into your home when it floods, is sewage. The home that we grew up in, that sheltered us from rains and the hot Chennai sun, where countless life events happened, things built and bought over years, life savings, a lifetime of everything, an entire way of life, is gone.”

The floodwaters have receded, but the painful memories remain. “The rains still

make me nervous,” a survivor tells Ge. They both know that things could have so easily been otherwise. Story after story, counting every kind of loss big and small, she gives voice to the wounds, grief, anxiety, trauma — and ultimately the dignity of those affected. And, surely, this is what we need to comprehend if we are ever to act meaningfully: that every life is precious, every absence is painful, and no human is an island; and that there can be no real compensation for some kinds of personal, intangible loss.

The writer is a bureaucrat, currently based in Bengaluru

India-Pakistan Davis Cup tie gets a November date in Islamabad



Mahesh Bhupathi had expressed concerns about travelling to Pakistan.

SHAHID JUDGE
MUMBAI, SEPTEMBER 13

INDIA'S DAVIS Cup tie against Pakistan has now been scheduled to take place in Islamabad at the end of November. The two-day Asia/Oceania Group 1 match-up will now be held on either November 29 and 30, or November 30 and December 1.

The Pakistan Tennis Federation (PTF) has until September 19 to confirm the precise dates of the two-day tie," the International Tennis Federation (ITF) said in a statement. "The ITF will continue to monitor the security situation in Pakistan with the host nation and our independent security advisors."

The tie was originally scheduled to take place at the Pakistan Sports Complex in Islamabad on September 14-15. The straining political ties between the two countries due to the Kashmir issue in August, however, prompted the All India Tennis Association (AITA) to approach the ITF to either shift the tie to a neutral venue or postpone the tie by two months.

Despite the ITF's assertion that the security arrangements organised by the Pakistan Tennis Federation (PTF) were stringent and up to ITF standards, the world body decided on August 22 to shift the tie to November.

Ahead of the tie in November though, the AITA will once again take a call on if they want the tie to be held in Pakistan.

"The security situation will be reviewed on 4th November whether the tie can be held in Islamabad or to be shifted to a neutral venue," the AITA statement added.

In the past, Pakistan has hosted Davis Cup ties at neutral venues due to ban the ITF had imposed on the country owing to security concerns. The ban lasted from 2005 to 2017, and since then, the PTF has hosted Iran, Thailand, South Korea and Uzbekistan for Davis Cup matches in Islamabad.

Strong team

The AITA too had announced a 'strong' team for the tie, but once the political tensions escalated between the two countries, team captain Mahesh

Bhupathi expressed concerns about travelling to Pakistan on behalf of the squad, and the AITA subsequently approached the ITF for a neutral venue or delay in tie. After initially rejecting the AITA's requests, the world body eventually decided to postpone the tie.

The last time India was drawn to play an away tie against Pakistan was back in 1973, and it was organised in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. After that, the Pakistan team travelled to Mumbai for a tie in 2006. The upcoming match-up will be the seventh between the two countries.No cricket team too has toured Pakistan for a bilateral series since the attack against Sri Lanka's team bus in 2019.

The new dates now will ensure the

In the past, Pakistan has hosted Davis Cup ties at neutral venues due to ban the ITF had imposed on the country owing to security concerns. The ban lasted from 2005 to 2017, and since then, the PTF has hosted several matches.

Pakistan-India tie will be the last Davis Cup match to be held in the 2019 season, as the World Group Finals will take place in Madrid, Spain from November 18 to 24.

Tokyo en route Nur-Sultan

The stakes are higher this time at the World Championship, with Olympic-quota winners ensured to be spared of national trials

MIHIR VASAVDA
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 13

THE WRESTLING World Championships, which gets underway in Kazakh capital Nur Sultan, will test the Olympic credentials of Vinesh Phogat and Bajrang Punia, the two biggest medal prospects. India's first junior world champion in nearly two decades, Deepak Punia, will be keen to prove his mettle among the seniors while two-time Olympic medalist Sushil Kumar will return to the worlds for the first time after eight years. With the Wrestling Federation of India president Brijbhushan Saran Singh announcing that the winner of an Olympic quota here will be chosen for the Tokyo-bound team, there is a lot at stake. Here's a low-down on India's prospects:

Sushil Kumar (74kg)
Unseeded
Challengers: Frank Chamizo (Italy), Jordan Burroughs (USA), Zaurbek Sidakov (Russia)
Competition dates: Prelim - September 20; medal round - September 21

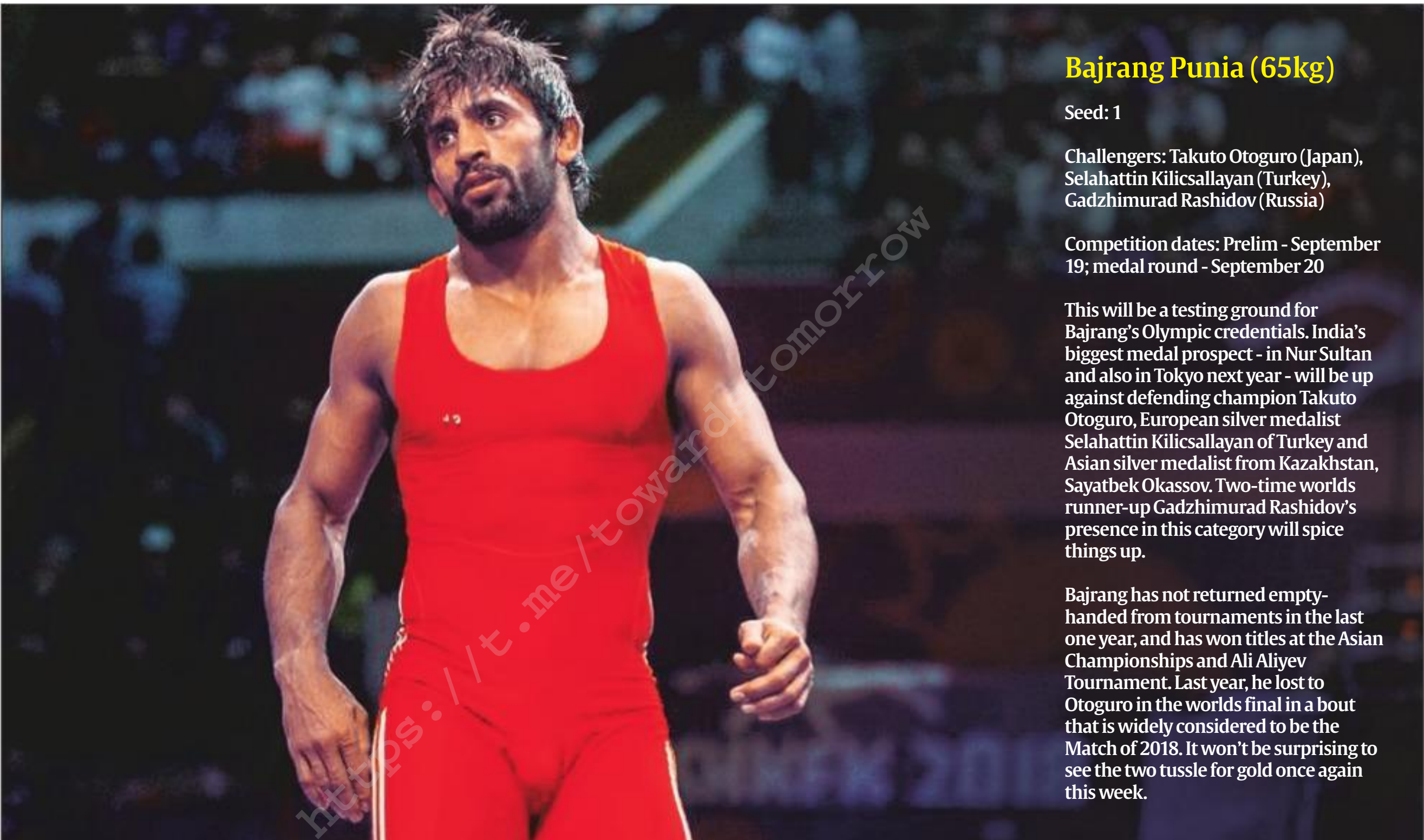
This will be the two-time Olympic medalist and the 2010 world champion's first appearance in the event since 2011. Sushil was set to compete in the 2015 edition but eventually pulled out due to an injury, which paved the way for Narsingh Yadav to go there and win a bronze. The medal earned him a quota for Rio Olympics. That was the beginning of a long battle which ended with neither of them competing at the Games.

Now, Sushil has a chance to make amends. He isn't quite the same wrestler that he was four years ago, and the early exits at the 2018 Asian Games and Medved Tournament this year only reinforces that belief. This will be his first major international tournament in the 74kg category, where he will be up against some of the best in the business. Sushil isn't seeded, which means he might get a tricky draw to reach the medal rounds.

Deepak Punia (86kg)
Seed: 4
Challenger: Hassan Yazdanicharati (Iran), Fatih Erdin (Turkey), Boris Makoev (Slovakia)
Competition dates: Prelim - September 21; medal round - September 22

In August, he became the first Indian to win the world junior title in 18 years. The gold reasserted his position as one of India's best young wrestlers, given his eye-catching performances at the Asian Championships, where he won the bronze, and Yasar Dogu competition, where he returned with a silver.

The worlds will be his first big test at a senior level. His biggest obstacle will be Iran's Hassan Yazdanicharati, who will be the frontrunner after world champion in this class, USA's David Taylor's season ended prematurely due to an injury. Taylor has handed Yazdani two of his four senior-level losses, so the American's absence makes the Irani wrestler the favourite.



Bajrang Punia (65kg)

Seed: 1

Challengers: Takuto Otoguro (Japan), Selahattin Kilicsallayan (Turkey), Gadzhimurad Rashidov (Russia)

Competition dates: Prelim - September 19; medal round - September 20

This will be a testing ground for Bajrang's Olympic credentials. India's biggest medal prospect - in Nur Sultan and also in Tokyo next year - will be up against defending champion Takuto Otoguro, European silver medalist Selahattin Kilicsallayan of Turkey and Asian silver medalist from Kazakhstan, Sayatbek Okassov. Two-time worlds runner-up Gadzhimurad Rashidov's presence in this category will spice things up.

Bajrang has not returned empty-handed from tournaments in the last one year, and has won titles at the Asian Championships and Ali Aliyev Tournament. Last year, he lost to Otoguro in the worlds final in a bout that is widely considered to be the Match of 2018. It won't be surprising to see the two tussle for gold once again this week.

INDIA'S SQUAD
FREESTYLE :
Ravi Kumar (57kg), Rahul Aware (61kg), Bajrang Punia (65kg), Karan (70kg), Sushil Kumar (74kg), Jitender (79kg), Deepak Punia (86kg), Parveen (92kg), Mausam Khatri (97kg), Sumit (125kg).

WOMEN'S :
Seema (50kg), Vinesh Phogat (53kg), Lalita (55kg), Sarita (57kg), Pooja Dhanda (59kg), Sakshi Malik (62kg), Navjot Kaur (65kg), Divya Kakran (68kg), Komal Bhagwan Gole (72kg), Kiran (76 kg).

GRECO-ROMAN:
Manjeet (55kg), Manish (60kg), Sagar (63kg), Manish (67kg), Yogesh (72kg), Gurpreet Singh (77kg), Harpreet Singh (82kg), Sunil Kumar (87kg), Ravi (97kg), Naveen (130kg).

The top six finishers in each category - gold, silver and four wrestlers who will compete for the bronze medal - will seal a quota for the 2020 Olympics. Those who miss out on a quota here will have two more opportunities via the continental and ranking series events

India have won a total of 13 medals in the wrestling World Championships. There has been just one gold - Sushil Kumar in 2010 - with three silver and nine bronze.

"I am confident that India will record its best performance at the World Championship in Nur Sultan. The wrestler who wins a quota at the World Championship will represent India at the Tokyo Olympics. There will not be any trials. This has been our policy in the past as well, and all wrestlers have been informed about this."

BRIJBHUSHAN SARAN SINGH,
PRESIDENT, WRESTLING FEDERATION OF INDIA

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Seema (50kg)
Seed: 2
Challengers: Oksana Livach (Ukraine), Sun Yanan (China), Evin Demirhan (Turkey)
Competition dates: Prelim - September 17; medal round - September 18

Seema started the season at 53kg but had to drop down to 50 to accommodate Vinesh Phogat in that category. She used her gold medal points from the City of Sassari Tournament, and the Yasar Dogu to jump into the No. 2 spot in the seedings, which is likely to give her a favourable draw.

The weight category has been thrown open by the absence of the top-ranked Yui Susaki, considered to be the most dominant woman wrestler. The Japanese wrestler was stunned by Yuki Irie in a playoff for the spot. That will make Ukraine's Oksana Livach, the top seed and last year's bronze medalist, a favourite in this category.

Vinesh Phogat (53kg)
Unseeded
Challengers: Sarah Hildebrandt (USA), Mayu Mukaida (Japan), Qianyu Pang (China)
Competition dates: Prelim - September 17; medal round - September 18

Phogat won three titles in the 53kg weight class in July: first at the Grand Prix of Spain followed by Yasar Dogu ranking tournament in Turkey and the Poland Open. En

route to a hat-trick of gold medals, she defeated a Rio Olympics bronze medalist, and a few other wrestlers who are ranked in the top 10 of the world.

But that would mean nothing if she doesn't finish among the top six, let alone podium, at the World Championship. World number 1 Sarah ann Hildebrandt of the USA has been solid the whole year while there's a tasty rivalry building up between Phogat and China's Qianyu Pang. Japan's reigning 55kg world champion Mayu Mukaida has dropped to the Olympic weight and grabbed the starting spot from Haruna Okuno, the current champion in this category.

Non-Olympic categories

Rahul Aware, seeded second in 61kg, will be among the favourites to finish on the podium in this category. For that, though, he will have to shed the tag of being an underperformer in major international events. He will face still challenge from Cuba's Yowlys Bonne Rodriguez, Beka Lomtadze of Georgia and Romania's Nikolai Okhlopov.

Pooja Dhanda became only the fourth Indian woman to win a medal at the Worlds last year. However, she could not book a berth in her preferred 57kg class, which is an Olympic category. Her surprise defeat to Sarita Mor in the trials means she will fight for her second worlds medal in 59kg.

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EKATERINBURG, SEPTEMBER 13

NATIONAL CHAMPION Duryodhan Singh Negi (69kg) claimed an exhausting 4-1 triumph over Armenia's Koryun Astoyan in his opening bout to enter the second round of the World Men's Boxing Championships here on Friday.

Contrary to what the scoreboard suggests, it was a close bout wherein the Indian was stretched to the last drop of sweat. He will face Jordan's sixth seed Zeyad Eashash in the round of 32 on Monday, a tough and seasoned opponent. Eashash got a bye in the opening round will be fresh.

Astoyan seemed intimidated by the more muscular Indian but wasn't lacking in effort. His punches were, however, not connecting as powerfully. And gradually it began to take a toll on him. The Armenian began to run out of steam in the second round and Negi took advantage to land a few lusty combination blows.

Astoyan's defence was particularly weak and he tried to make up for it by constantly being on the move. The strategy was tiring for both but Negi endured it much better, ensuring that he didn't fall for the trap and struck to his normal game.

The final three minutes were a lopsided affair in which Astoyan was mostly left scurrying for cover even though one judge favoured him over the Indian. The Indian had sense of timing and knew when to go full-throttle.

Cruise for Manish and Brijesh

Commonwealth Games silver-medalist Manish Kaushik (63kg) and Brijesh Yadav (81kg) had earlier won their opening bouts to enter the second round. On the other hand, Asian champion Amit Panghal (52kg), and the Asian silver-winning duo of Kavinder Singh Bisht (57kg) and Ashish Kumar (75kg) got first-round byes.

The World Championship was meant to be an Olympic qualifier and features the revised eight weight categories (52kg, 57kg, 63kg, 69kg, 75kg, 81kg, 91kg, +91kg) earmarked for 2020 Tokyo Olympics, instead of the traditional 10 divisions.

However, the event was stripped of that status after the International Olympic Committee (IOC) lost patience with the long-standing administrative mess in the International Boxing Association (AIBA). The IOC took control of the Olympics qualification process, which will now start next year with the Asian qualifiers in February. This means the boxers, even if they are world champions, will have to play in qualifying tournaments or win the trials in their country.

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Rahi and Saurabh win in shooting trials

Asian Games champion Rahi Sarnobat, World Championship silver medalist Anjum Moudgil and Youth Olympics champion Saurabh Chaudhary won their respective National Shooting Trial events at the Dr Karni Singh Shooting Range here on Friday. Rahi won the women's 25m Pistol T7 trial while Anjum emerged victorious in the women's 50m Rifle Prone and Saurabh quite unsurprisingly won the men's 10m Air Pistol T6 trials to extend their good forms. Rahi was unstoppable on Friday, first shooting a classy 586 in qualification to top it and then demolished the finals field with a 39, falling just one short of Hungarian Veronika Major's finals world record score of 40.

Golovin to comeback after 11-year absence

French player Tatiana Golovin said on Friday she will return to competitive tennis despite having retired 11 years ago, a day after Kim Clijsters announced her shock comeback. The 31-year-old Golovin, a former world number 12 and a US Open quarter-finalist in 2006, was forced to retire aged 20 due to lower back inflammation. "The idea has been taking shape for a year and since this summer I've been really serious about it," she told French television channel BeIN Sports, where she works as a pundit.



Kidambi Srikanth's knee injury has flared up, forcing him to skip the premier tournaments. PTI

Srikanth pulls out of China and Korea Open

Ace Indian shuttler Kidambi Srikanth on Friday pulled out of the upcoming tournaments in China and Korea, owing to a knee injury that flared up after the World Championship last month. The China Open World Tour Super 1000 is scheduled to be held at Changzhou from September 17 to 22, followed by Korea Open World Tour Super 500 (September 24 to 29) at Incheon City. "Tough times. Will not be playing in the upcoming #ChinaOpen and #KoreaOpen due to knee injury. Hope to recover quick and get back in action soon!," he wrote on his twitter handle. Srikanth, who had reached the finals at India Open early in the year, had suffered a knee injury just ahead of the Sudirman Cup in May. He recovered to play in Indonesia, Japan and Thailand before featuring at the World Championships. The 26-year-old from Guntur had lost to lower-ranked Kantaphon Wangcharoen of Thailand in the round of 16 at the World Championships in Basel, Switzerland last month. "After the World Championships, he couldn't train much due to the injury and so he decided to pull out," a source said.

FIFA bans Russian fans organizer for posts

Russian fans organizer Alexander Shprygin has been banned from soccer for two years by FIFA for posting far-right content online. FIFA said Friday its ethics committee judges found Shprygin, a former member of the Russian Football Union executive committee, guilty of discrimination. He was fined 10,000 Swiss francs (\$10,125). Shprygin achieved notoriety at the 2016 European Championship in France, and was deported twice after Russia games. French authorities linked Shprygin to violence in Marseille where Russians attacked England fans in the city and at the stadium.

Spain beats Australia to reach World Cup final

No one on Spain's basketball team is looking past Sunday's World Cup final. Certainly not Marc Gasol, who scored 33 points to lead the Spanish over Australia 95-88 in double overtime on Friday in the semifinals. Ricky Rubio scored 19 points and Sergio Llull added 17. Spain will next face Argentina, which defeated France 80-66 in the other semifinal game. Gasol won the NBA title a few months ago with the Toronto Raptors. And now he can do the double by winning with Spain, which won this title 13 years ago when it was called the world championship. It was two 3-point shots by Llull in the second overtime that pushed Spain to one of its largest leads of the game.



Olympic qualification is tough: Swapna

Asian Games gold-medallist Indian heptathlete Swapna Burman on Friday said she will leave no stone unturned to compete at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics but achieving the qualification standard will be a tough task. Swapna, who has six toes on each foot, became the first Indian to win a heptathlon gold medal at the 2018 Asian Games. "Like every athlete, I also dream of participating in the Olympics. I am not sure if I'll be able to do it but I will do everything possible, I will try my best," Swapna told PTL. "I have to improve a little in all the (seven) events and then I qualify," she added. The International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF) has set the qualifying mark for the women's heptathlon event at 6420 aggregate points from the seven event.



Liverpool raging red

European champs and league leaders
will look to stretch unbeaten run

AGENCE FRANCE-PRESSE
LONDON, SEPTEMBER 13

LIVERPOOL'S SIZZLING start to the Premier League season has left their title rivals breathless and the red-hot leaders are expected to maintain their perfect record against Newcastle on Saturday. Jurgen Klopp's side have seized the early initiative in the Premier League with four successive wins to open up a two-point lead over second placed Manchester City.

The European champions' relentless tempo has overwhelmed Norwich, Southampton, Arsenal and Burnley, sending a message that they are determined to make amends for narrowly failing to pip City to the trophy last season. Arsenal's Dani Ceballos is new to English football after joining on loan from Real Madrid and the Spain midfielder admitted to being gob-smacked at the intensity Liverpool displayed in their 3-1 victory against the Gunners in August. "I had never seen anything like it. I've not seen up until now a team that plays better, that presses better. That game had quite an impact on me," Ceballos told the Daily Mail. "They suck the air out of you. You spend so much time defending and when you want to catch your breath and get on the ball for a bit, they've taken it from you again."

"I think Jurgen Klopp now has the team he first had in mind when he started four years ago." That glowing testimony underlines the size of the task facing City as they try to stop Liverpool winning their first English crown since 1990. City may have won the last two Premier League titles in scintillating fashion, but Liverpool look better than ever this term and Newcastle are unlikely to halt their progress at

Anfield this weekend.

With City playing Norwich in Saturday's late game, the champions could be five points behind Liverpool by the time they kick off at Carrow Road. Pep Guardiola's team are unbeaten and have already thrashed West Ham and Brighton, but their lone slip--a draw against Tottenham--allowed Liverpool to seize pole position and they can't afford another against second bottom Norwich.

Across Manchester, Ole Gunnar Solskjaer's United can only dream of gate-crashing the title race after a disappointing start showed how far they have fallen off the pace.

United have won only once in their first four games, adding to the incentive for their England defender Harry Maguire to inspire a victory against his former club Leicester. Maguire is the world's most expensive defender after his £80 million close-season move from Leicester, but he is yet to play like it, as his creaky showing in England's mid-week Euro 2020 qualifier against Kosovo emphasised. Leicester will arrive at Old Trafford above Maguire's men in the table after an impressive unbeaten start. But, whatever his shortcomings in some areas, Maguire's personality has made an impression on his new team-mates, who expect him to come good soon.

"It's been seamless," said United reserve keeper Lee Grant. "Harry has definitely slotted straight in, in terms of the social side and in terms of his mentality and attitude, which has been first class. The most important thing, though, is his quality and he was able to show that against Chelsea. We could all see he is quite at home in front of the Old Trafford crowd and quite at home as a Manchester United player."

Clijsters, 36, announces another return

CHRISTOPHER CLAREY
SEPTEMBER 13

As if women's tennis did not have enough rich story lines at the moment, Kim Clijsters added another Thursday by announcing her intent to return to

competition in 2020.

"I felt the timing was right and the challenge within myself was mainly what drives me to do this," Clijsters said in a conference call with reporters. Clijsters, 36, is a former world No. 1 from Belgium who won four Grand Slam singles titles, three of them after giving birth to her first child, Jada, in 2008.

By then Clijsters had already retired once, citing injuries and a desire to start a "new life," only to return to the tour two years later.

She retired for the second time in 2012, citing weariness with injuries and a desire to spend more time with her growing family and to support her husband Brian Lynch's career as a professional basketball coach. But seven years later, and with Lynch's support, Clijsters, who is now a mother of three, is aiming to rejoin the tour next year, perhaps at the Australian Open.

At this stage in the game, and in her life, that sounds much crazier than it is.


Serena Williams, one of Clijsters' former rivals, has a young child and is still ranked in the top 10. She reached the Wimbledon and U.S. Open singles finals this year. Williams will turn 38 on Sept. 26.

Svetlana Kuznetsova, another of Clijsters' former rivals, is back at No. 65 after reaching the final of the Western & Southern Open in Cincinnati this year, defeating Sloane Stephens, Karolina Pliskova and Ashleigh Barty. Kuznetsova is

34. Clearly, if the body and mind cooperate, success in singles is possible deep into one's 30s. Martina Navratilova won doubles titles into her 40s, and Roger Federer, another player Clijsters knows well, is ranked No. 3 in the men's game at age 38. He regularly travels the circuit with his wife, Mirka, and their four children.

Clijsters said she and Lynch planned to travel to some tournaments with Jada, 11, and their two sons Jack, 5, and Blake, 2.

"Obviously I know I'm not going to play not even close to a full season," Clijsters said. "I know this process is not going to be possible if I'm away from home for three or four weeks without my family. So it's up to me to schedule it, to have them there for a certain amount of time and pick the right tournaments." Clijsters said she has admiration for new mothers like Williams, Mandy Minella and Victoria Azarenka, all of whom have returned to the tour. **NYT**



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